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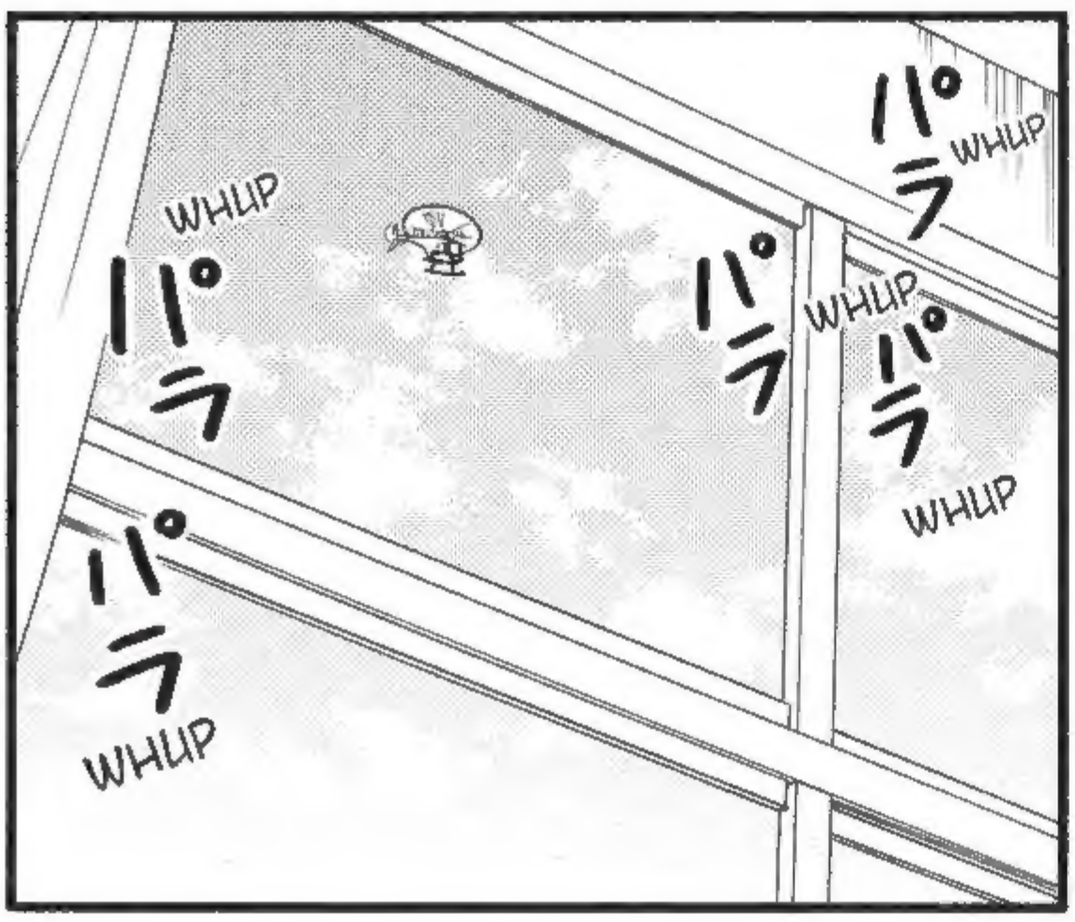

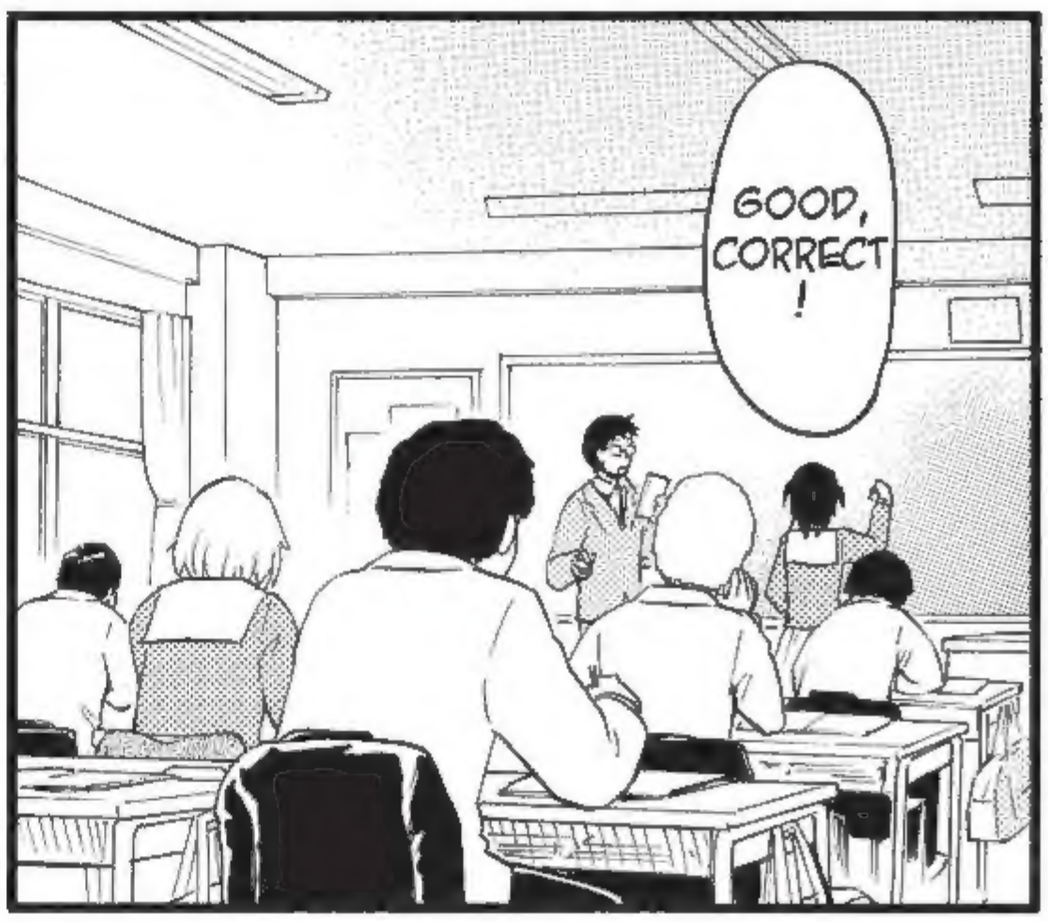

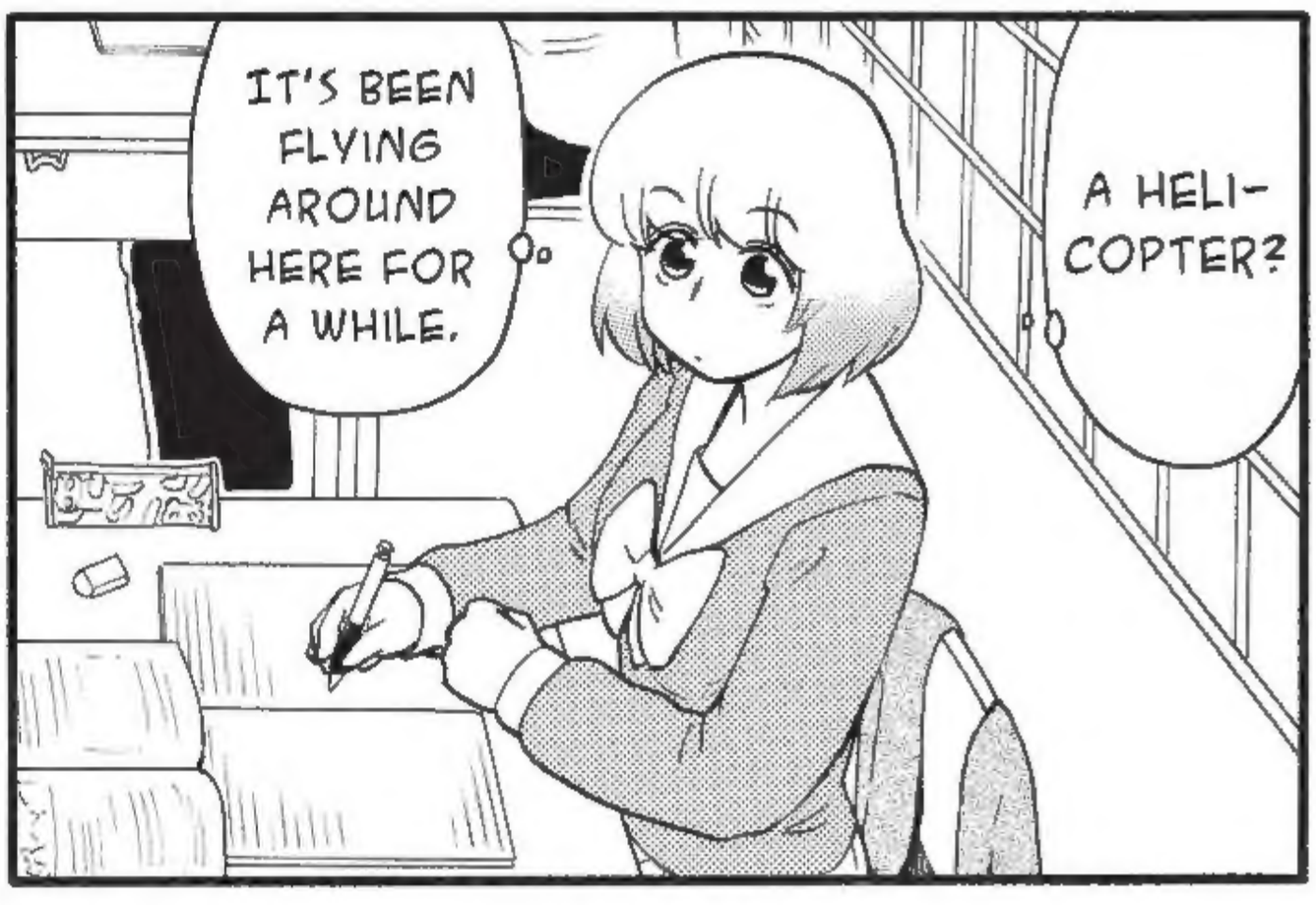

SEKI'S OPERATING THAT HELI-COPTER ?!

DON'T TELL ME...

OH!

BUT IT IS!

A REMOTE-CONTROL CHOPPER HAS GOTTA BE PRICEY.

NAH, IT CAN'T BE...

HE BLEW ALL HIS MONEY ON AN EXTRA-VAGANT TOY!

NEW YEAR'S ALLOWANCE

I BET HE BOUGHT IT WITH HIS NEW YEAR'S ALLOW-ANCE!

WHAT A BOLD DIVERSION THAT'S EVEN MORE ANNOYING THAN USUAL!

NO ONE WOULD PAY ATTENTION TO CHOPPER SOUNDS DURING CLASS 'CAUSE THEY'D THINK IT'S REAL...

THERE'S A TEDDY BEAR ABOARD?

HUH ?!

WHUP WHUP

AH, IT'S RIGHT OUT-SIDE THE WIN-DOW ...

AH! THERE'S ANOTHER ONE OUTSIDE !

Knew it!

!! IT'S CON-TACTING THE CHOPPER ?

MAYBE THAT'S ...

THE ONE THAT SCALED MAEDA'S BACK?!

SO CUTE! A BEAR IS GOING CAMPING ?

AW,

IT'S SERIOUS, LIFE-RISKING MOUN-TAIN CLIMB-ING!

WAIT. COULD THAT BEAR POSSIBLY BE...

IT'S MAKING A CALL OR SOMETHING FROM THE END OF THE BRANCH...

COMING TO THE AID OF A TEDDY BEAR THAT GOT STUCK!!

A RESCUE CHOPPER !!

GRIP

KLK KLK

BUT ...

HOW WILL IT HAP-PEN?

THERE'S NOTHING THE BEARS CAN'T DO, HUH?

SO COOL!

THEN EVERY-ONE WILL NOTICE IT AND MAKE A HUGE FUSS.

WHUP WHUP WHUP

WHOA!

A TOY CHOP-PER ?!

IF THE CHOPPER DROPS LOW ENOUGH TO GET THE TRAPPED BEAR ON BOARD.

SWSSH

AAH!

WHUP

WHUP

WHUP

...

KLIK

IT'S LIKE RESCUE SCE-NARIOS YOU SEE ON THE NEWS!

THIS IS A LOT MORE REALISTIC THAN I EXPECTED!

THAT WAY THE CHOPPER STAYS ABOVE THE WINDOW AND AVOIDS DETEC-TION!

THE RESCUE BEAR LOWERED HIMSELF ON A ROPE?

GOOD JOB, GOOD JOB!

OH, HE MADE CONTACT !

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CHATTER

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DIZZY

DIZZY

NO, IT WAS A BUG, A GIANT BUG!

A BIRD?

HEY! WHAT JUST HIT THE WINDOW?!

ARGH!

CHATTER

WHUP

WHUP

WHUP

WHAT NOW, SEKI? YOU'VE INTERRUPTED CLASS!

THIS IS AN IMPORTANT PART!

CHATTER

CHATTER

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WHAT IS IT? QUIET DOWN!

AH!

ZWLINK

WHUP

WHUP

WHUP

PLUS THE RESCUE MISSION IS NOW IN AN EVEN MORE DIRE SITUATION.

JUST GET THE BEARS ON SOLID GROUND AND STOP PLAYING!

THE BAT-TERY'S DYING?!

LOW BATTERY

HUH?

チカ

BLINK

チカ

BLINK

WHAT ON EARTH IS GOING ON?!

THE CHOPPER'S ACTING WEIRD?!

CRASH?!

AT THIS RATE, WITH THE BEARS ON BOARD, IT'S GOING TO...

WILL THIS BE A REPEAT?!

M'ONE BEAR FELL M'OUT THE WINDOW WHEN MOUNTAIN CLIMBING, TOO...

WOBBLE

WOBBLE

WOBBLE

WOBBLE

COME ON, CAN'T YOU DO SOME-THING, SEKI?

ARE YOU FATED TO KEEP ENDING UP IN DANGER?!

WHY, DEAR TEDDY BEARS ?!

SPIN

SPIN

SPIN

GLUNK

ZWOO

OOM

HE WRAPPED THE ROPE AROUND A FLAGPOLE?!

DANGLE

PI NG

KLUNK

TROMP TROMP TROMP

RECESS

GASHANG

THAT'S WHAT YOU GET FOR PLAYING WEIRD GAMES WITH PRICEY TOYS!

Right?

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KRUMPLE

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SKRITCH カリ

SKRITCH カリ

SKRITCH カリ

SKRITCH カリ

SKRITCH カリ

SHFF カッ

WHAAT?

SNACKS?

RUMMAGE ゴソゴソ

RUMMAGE ゴソ

CUKKY BAR

CONSOMMÉ BAR

GIANT CUTLET

I'M NOT IMPRESSED AT ALL.

SEKI'S PLANNING TO EAT SNACKS DURING CLASS?

RUMMAGE RUMMAGE

I'D RATHER YOU FOCUS ON A GAME INSTEAD!

SO FOR YOU TO SNEAKILY INDULGE IN SNACK TIME IS JUST WRONG!

EVERY-ONE IS STUDY-ING HARD.

KLUNK KLUNK

SHMP-

A WHOLE JAR FULL? HOW MANY IS HE PLANNING TO EAT?!

AREN'T THOSE CHEAP SWEETS THAT GO FOR 20 YEN A PIECE ...?

HUH?

KTUNK

WHAT?!

JOSTLE

ドヤッ

HM ?

JANGLE

ジャラッ

THERE'S NO WAY YOU CAN EAT ALL OF THAT!

NO, NO, THAT'S WAY TOO MUCH!

DON'T TELL ME TODAY'S GAME...

AH!

WHY?

A BUNCH OF COINS ?

SEKI'S SET UP AN OLDE CANDY SHOPPE IN OUR CLASS-ROOM.

IS A CHEAP CANDY SHOP?!

SEKI'S NOT ACTUALLY GOING TO SHOP HIMSELF?!

MAYBE HE'S PLAYING A SALES CLERK?

IT DOES SEEM LIKE A PRETTY FUN GAME.

I SEE, SO HE'S NOT JUST EATING THEM, BUT CHOOSING AND SHOPPING AS WELL.

HUH? HE'S JUST SITTING THERE.

IT'S SO QUIET THAT HE'S DOZING OFF.

NOD ウト

NOD ウト

BUT NO ONE'S GONNA COME!

HE'S WAITING FOR SHOP-PERS.

THAT MYSTERY BOX TYPE OF PRIZE DRAWING ...

I DON'T WANT TO EAT ANY SWEETS, BUT...

TRY TO WIN! EXCITING TREASURE BOX ¥50 EACH!

CAN I BE A CUSTOMER ?

OH, BUT IF IT'S A SHOP...

KLINK

4 + !! "

HMM, WHAT DO THEY HAVE INSIDE?

HOW NOSTALGIC!

A MYSTERY PRIZE!

I'D LIKE TO PICK

SEKI, SEKI.

HE SEEMS NICER THAN USUAL.

WHAT'S UP WITH SEKI?

HUH?

ニヤリ

GRIN

HUH? GLASSES?

KCHAK カチャッ

KLAK カチャ

KLAK カチャ

I WANT A MYSTERY PRIZE!

WHISPER ヒソ

I DON'T WANT CHANGE.

WHISPER ヒソ

HUH?

KLATTER ジャラッ

COULD IT BE HE'S...

HE'S HARD OF HEARING?!

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?

SEKI'S TRANS-FORMED INTO AN OLD LADY RUNNING A CANDY SHOPPE!!

AN OLD LADY?!

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¥20

¥20

¥10

¥10

YES, THAT!

1 2 3 4
5 6 7 8
9 10 11 12

THAT ONE!

NO, NO!

YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE THAT AUTHENTIC!

LET ME PICK A MYSTERY PRIZE ALREADY!

TREASURE

キョロ GLANCE

キョロ GLANCE

PEEL ペリ

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THIS ONE!

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AWW...

がは WILT

I JUST WASTED MONEY!

DANGLE ぴろ〜ん

...

A 10-YEN KINAKO* STICK?

FOR ME?

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THANKS!

SWSH

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*ROASTED SOY FLOUR

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GAZE

IT'S STILL CLASS TIME.

NOT THAT I'LL EAT IT NOW.

I DON'T CARE ABOUT SEKI HIM-SELF,

BUT I FEEL BAD ABOUT MAKING GRANNY FEEL SAD!

JUST NOT RIGHT NOW ...

OH, IT'S NOT THAT I DON'T WANT IT.

HE'S FEELING DEJECTED!

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GLOOM

YUMMY!
NOM NOM
I'LL PRETEND TO EAT IT!
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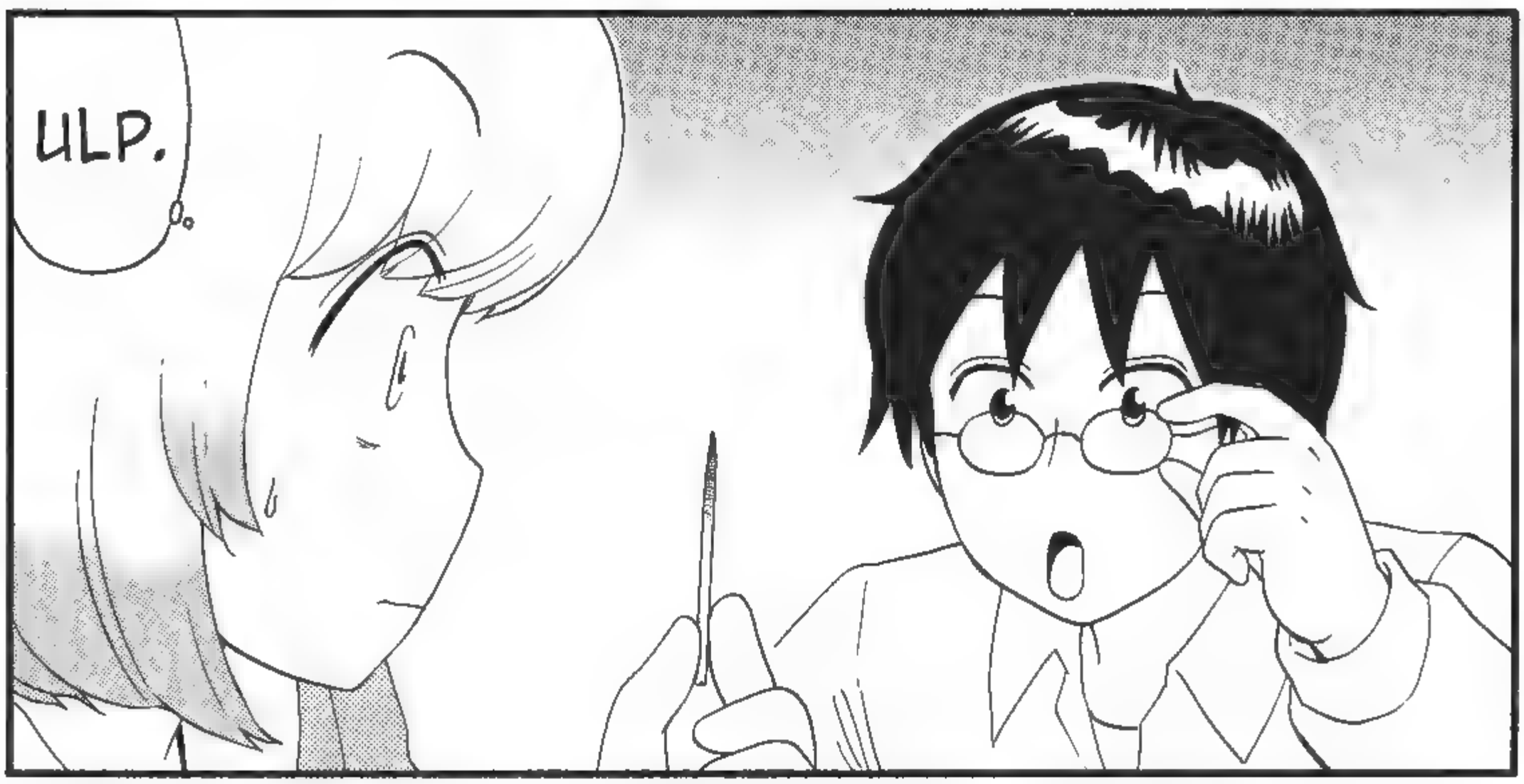
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GRIN
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OKAY, GO BACK TO BEING SEKI ALREADY!
IT WORKED!

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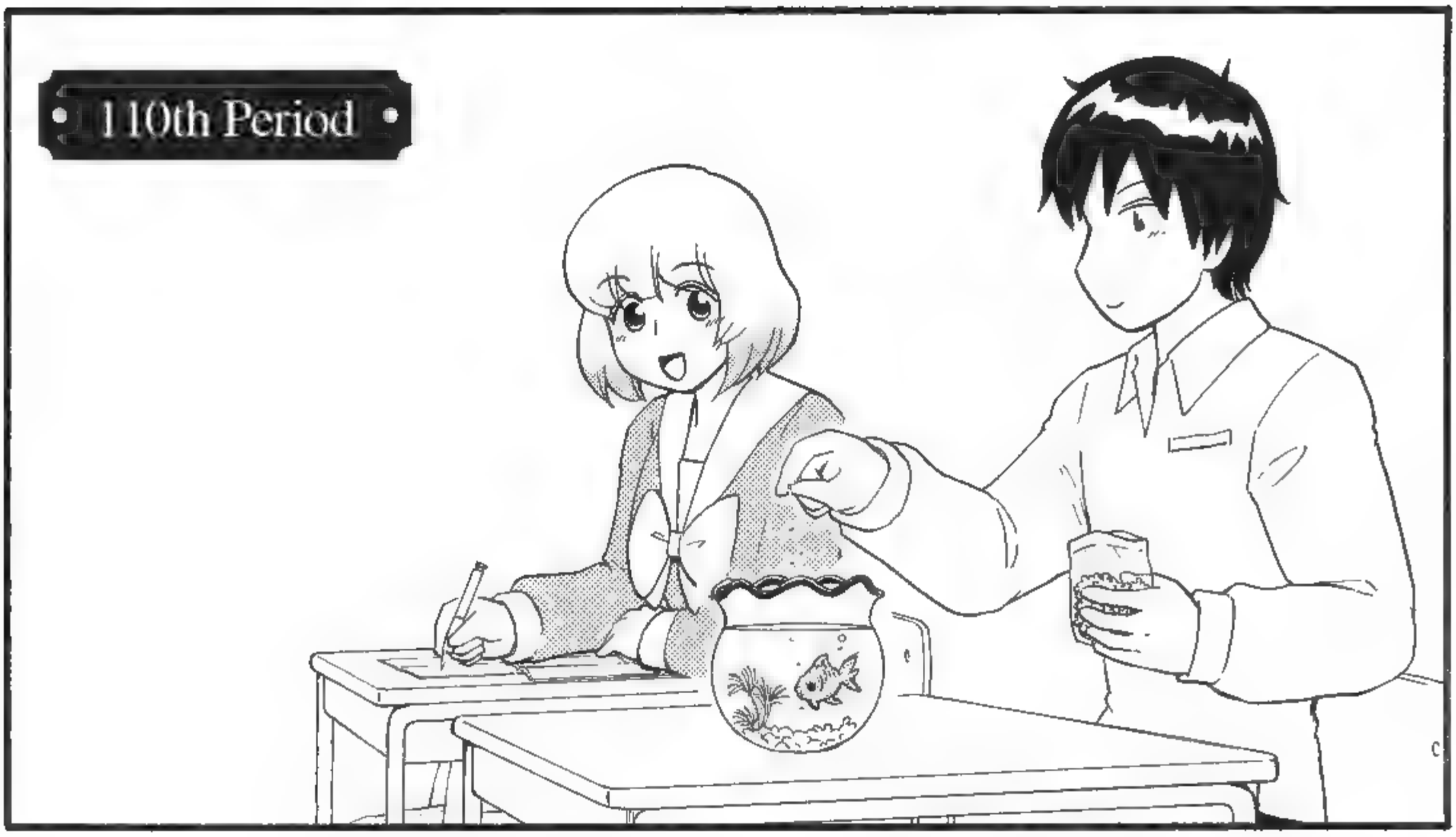

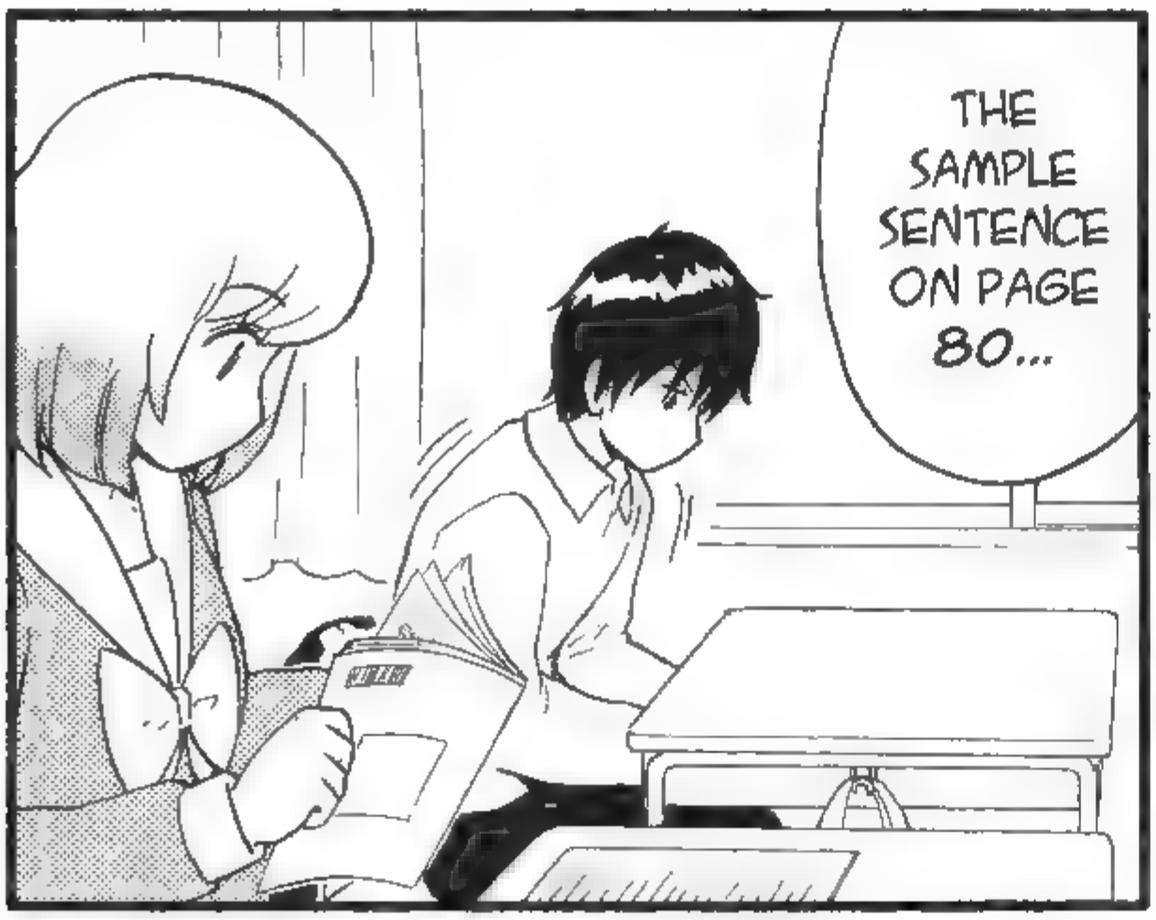

I SEE THAT WITH MAGAZINES A LOT, BUT...

THERE'S AN INSERT?

IS BOUND WITH STRING?!

HIS TEXT-BOOK...

HORIZON

FLIP

A TEXT-BOOK WITH EXTRAS?!

MEOW 2

EXTRAS?!

HORIZON II

HORIZON

POP

I DON'T RECALL THE BOOK COMING WITH STUFF LIKE THAT!

NO, NO, YOU PUT IT IN THERE YOURSELF, RIGHT?

A MINIATURE STATUE OF LIBERTY?

WELL, I GUESS THAT MAKES SENSE FOR AN ENGLISH TEXTBOOK.

TA-

DAA

THE TORCH LIGHTS UP...

KLIK

KLIK

KLIK

BLINK

AH!

AH!

RUSTLE

RUSTLE

MAYBE HE DOESN'T WANT IT?

WHAT A TIME-CONSUMING ACTIVITY!

EACH ONE CONTAINS SOMETHING DIFFERENT?

ひぇ！ YIKES

HIS OTHER TEXTBOOKS ALL HAVE BONUS STUFF, TOO?!

...

KEEP THE ENGLISH TEXT-BOOK OUT, SEKI.

I DON'T REALLY GET IT, BUT...

HUH? HE PUT THEM AWAY?

SHFF

SHFF

FOR YOUR HOME-WORK ...

SCIENCE CLASS

A GAME THAT'LL LAST ALL DAY...

I SEE. YOU WAIT UNTIL THAT CLASS PERIOD TO UNWRAP THE TEXT-BOOK.

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SHMP

MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE II

I SEE, VERY SCIENCE-LIKE.

MINIATURE LAB EQUIPMENT?

ジャーン

TA-DAA

MAYBE CUTE AS DECORA-TIONS?

NOT REALLY USEFUL, BUT...

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MATH
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30 6647 0938 4460 95
10 2701 9385 2110 55
56 5933 4461 2847 56
92 3460 3486 1045 48
00 6606 3155 8817 48
THAT'S NOT STYLISH AT ALL!

RAISED FLOOR STOREHOUSE PAPER CRAFT KIT
SOCIAL STUDIES
NO THANKS.

WILL HE GET?

FOR JAPANESE LANGUAGE CLASS, WHAT SORT OF BONUS

JAPANESE

I'M COMING UP BLANK...

FIGURES OF FAMOUS WRITERS...?

漢

TINY DICTION-ARIES? NAH, THAT'S TOO STRAIGHT-FORWARD.

THE THING THAT APPEARS IN KENJI MIYA-ZAWA'S STORY* ?!

CLAMM-BON?!

HMM?

1/200 SCALE CLAMMBON

*THE WILD PEAR

THE THING EVERYONE PUZZLES OVER, "CLAMMBON," IS THE BONUS ?!

"CLAMMBON LAUGHED."
"CLAMMBON LAUGHED LIKE, 'BLOP BLOP.'"
"CLAMMBON LEAPED AND LAUGHED."
"CLAMMBON LAUGHED LIKE 'BLOP BLOP.'"
"CLAMMBON WAS LAUGHING."
"CLAMMBON LAUGHED LIKE 'BLOP BLOP.'"
"THEN WHY WAS CLAMMBON LAUGHING?"
"I-DON'T KNOW."

THAT COMPLETELY MYSTERIOUS THING THAT THE TWO CRABS TALK ABOUT...

I WANNA SEE, I WANNA SEE!!

HE KNOWS CLAMMBON'S IDENTITY!!

SO DOES THAT MEAN SEKI KNOWS WHAT CLAMMBON IS?!

HE MADE A CLAMMBON TO USE AS AN EXTRA?

CLOSE

パタン

WHY NOT? WHY NOT?!

GLANCE

チラッ

GLANCE

チラッ

HUH? HE'S NOT TAKING IT OUT OF THE BOX?

LET! ME! SEE!!

GRAB

AH! IT POPPED OUT!!

SLIP

WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL?!

WHY WON'T YOU LET ME SEE?

SHEE

JUST A PEEK!

TUG

TUG

IT'S MELT-ING?!

FSSH

IT STUCK TO THE WINDOW ?!

THUNK

'CAUSE IT WAS EXPOSED TO SUNLIGHT ?

JUST WHAT IS CLAMM-BON...?

IT VANISHED!!

RAAGE

IT'S 'CAUSE YOU WOULDN'T SHOW ME!

BUT, BUT...

UUH!

...

SEEMS LIKE A LOVER'S QUARREL ?!!

THIS ...

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ART

THIS PART IS IMPOR-TANT.

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THE GIST OF THE TREATY IS...

BUT WHY IN CLASS ...?

AH, NO, THOSE ARE CHOP-STICKS, NOT A PEN.

SEKI'S STUDY-ING ...?

HUH?

OH, I KNOW!

WHY CHOP-STICKS AND PEANUTS ?

A PEANUT?

TNK

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SEKI IS ALREADY GOOD AT USING CHOPSTICKS SO WHY PRACTICE?

BUT HOW ODD.

GRASPING DRIED BEANS IS VERY TRICKY. I'VE SEEN IT USED IN CONTESTS ON TV.

HE'S PRACTICING USING CHOPSTICKS!

AREN'T THOSE EASY TO PICK UP?

PEA-NUTS IN THE SHELL?

HUH? THE OTHER PLATE HAS...

HUH?!

SNAP

SHAKE 7°

SHAKE 11 7° 11

WHOA!
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HE UNSHELLED IT WITH HIS CHOPSTICKS!
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SWP
"
YOU USED TOO MUCH FORCE!
HE CRACKED IT?!
カサ"
RUSTLE
HUH?!
ヒョ
PEEL
"
THAT SEEMS LIKE A TOUGH TASK EVEN FOR SEKI...
HE'S PRACTICING SHELLING PEANUTS USING CHOPSTICKS?
WHOA!
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PEEL
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SAKE
BEER

IT MAY BE SKILLFUL, BUT IS IT REFINED?

BUT I WONDER ABOUT USING CHOPSTICKS IN SUCH A WAY.

SMOOTH

HE EVEN REMOVED THE SKIN?

SO DEXTEROUS!

SHELLING AND PEELING PEANUTS IS A VERY FINE USE OF CHOP-STICKS.

OKAY, IT IS REFINED!

DEFTLY REMOVING THE KERNEL WITH CHOP-STICKS MAY BE A LOVELY SIGHT TO OTHERS.

OF COURSE, SHELLING THEM BY HAND ISN'T REALLY ELEGANT, SO...

OH, WHAT DID HE TAKE OUT NOW?

POP

RUMMAGE

RUMMAGE

BUT WHAT'S THE POINT OF THAT?

HE PICKED IT UP WITH CHOP-STICKS ?

TUMBLE

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AN EGG ?

Oh!

PEEL A BOILED EGG USING HIS CHOP-STICKS ?!

HE'S GOING TO PEEL IT?

クルン

SPIN

'CAUSE YOU HAVE TO CRACK THE SHELL FIRST.

YOU'LL HAVE TO USE YOUR HANDS, RIGHT?

IS THAT ALLOWED ?!

HE STRUCK THE EGG WITH THE BACK ENDS OF THE CHOP-STICKS...

SPTCH 톡

SPTCH 톡

WHAAA?!

GBAM

NIP

PEEL

NIP

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HE'S A CHOP-STICKS GENIUS!!

HE NEATLY PEELED A BOILED EGG WITHOUT USING HIS HANDS?!

HMMM...

AND STAB AT AN EGG WITH THE BLUNT ENDS.

BUT I DON'T THINK REFINED PEOPLE WOULD REVERSE THEIR CHOP-STICKS

SO USING CHOPSTICKS IS TIDY AND ELEGANT.

IT'S TRUE THAT PEELING EGGS BY HAND DIRTIES YOUR HANDS ...

AH!

WHAT'S NEXT?

WHICH WOULD MAKE IT MORE JAPAN-ESQUE AND REFINED.

BUT A SAMURAI... MIGHT NOT RULE THAT OUT.

NO, NO, NO, THAT'S TOTALLY IMPOS-SIBLE!

HE'S GONNA PEEL CHEST-NUTS USING CHOP-STICKS?

OH, AREN'T THOSE...

SWEET ROASTED CHEST-NUTS?

KLATTER

SCHAK-

IT CAN BE HARD ENOUGH PEELING THEM BY HAND... THERE'S NO WAY YOU CAN DO IT WITH CHOP-STICKS!

TIANJIN SWEET CHESTNUTS

YOU CAN'T PEEL CHEST-NUTS' TOUGH SHELLS WITHOUT SCORING THEM WITH A KNIFE OR FINGERNAIL FIRST.

GSH GSH GSH

BUT YOU STILL CAN'T PEEL A CHEST-NUT, EVEN WITH FOUR...

TNK

SEKI'S AMBI-DEXTROUS WITH CHOP-STICKS?

A SECOND PAIR?

AH!

STAB

GSH

GSH

GSH

RRG

RRG

...

B-BUT HOW ARE YOU GOING TO PEEL IT...?

HE STABBED IT WITH THE CHOP-STICKS!

ZZP

ZZP

HE PIERCED IT THROUGH!

SPOP

HE'S STILL SHOVING THEM THROUGH! WHAT FOR?!

QUIVER

QUIVER

QUIVER

TUMBLE

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DROP

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HE SPLIT IT!!

SNAP

NO GOOD!!

BUT IT'S TOO VULGAR, SO...

A CHESTNUT, USING CHOPSTICKS...

HE ACTUALLY PEELED IT...

THAT WAS HIS LUNCH?!

SEKI, YOUR BENTO IS GNARLY.

AN EGG, CHESTNUTS, AND PEANUTS ?

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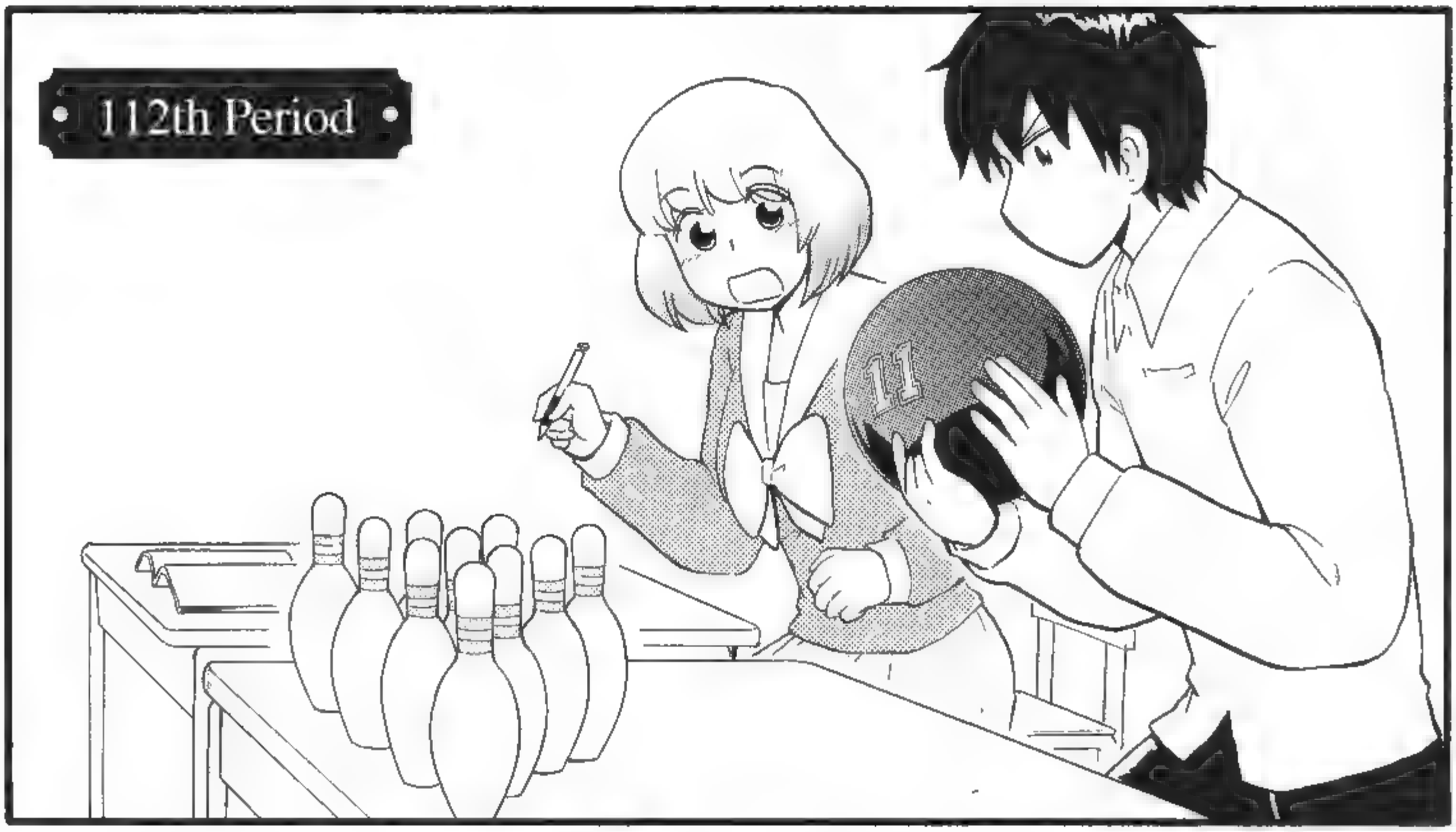

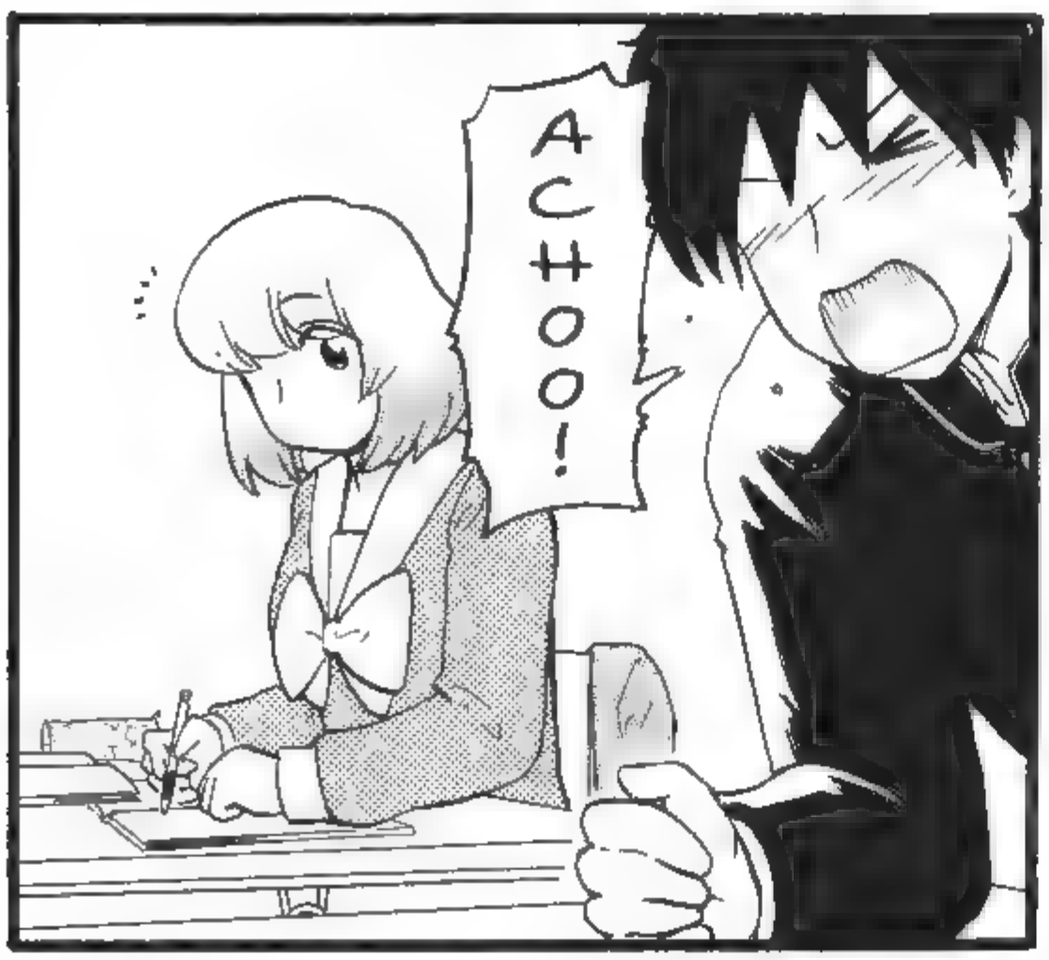

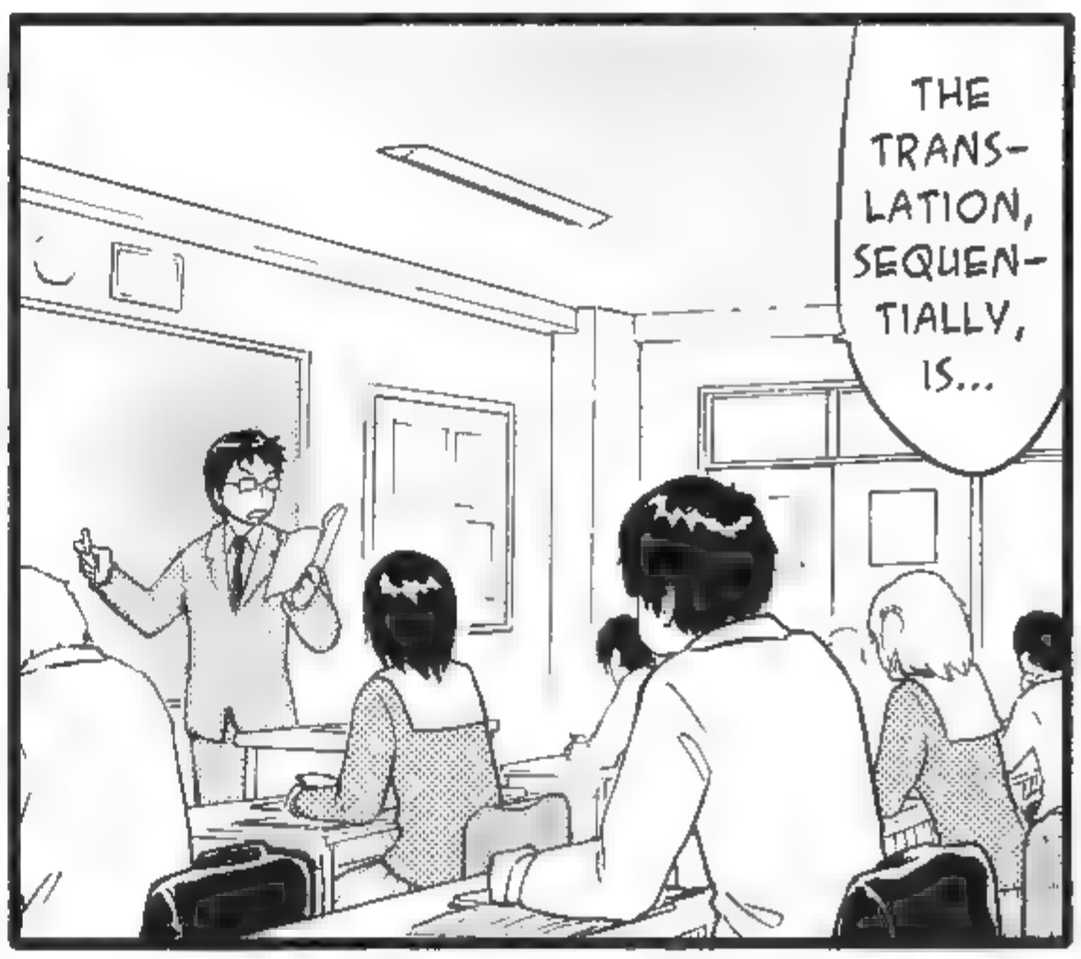

GLOVES, A HAT, AND A SCARF? WHAT FOR?

FWOP

I'M RELIEVED THAT THEY'RE NOT TOYS.

I GUESS THAT CAN'T BE HELPED IF HE'S SICK.

OH, HE'S COLD?

GTUNK

BSHOOMP

HE SNUCK SNOW IN AND DUMPED IT ON HIS DESK?

IS THAT SNOW?

CHILL

ひや〜

HUH?!

SEKI SAVED SOME OF IT TO USE IN HIS GAMES?

THAT'S RIGHT! IT SNOWED QUITE A BIT THE OTHER DAY.

IF YOU DO THAT WHEN YOU'RE SICK, YOU'LL ONLY MAKE IT WORSE!

NO, NO!

THAT'S WHAT THE COLD WEATHER GEAR IS FOR?!

PLAYING WITH SNOW?!

HUH? A TINY SNOW SHOVEL?

FWP

RUSTLE

RUSTLE

SLIDE

SLIDE

IS HE BUILDING AN IGLOO?

SHKK

SHKK

COULD HE POSSIBLY BE...

TOSS

HE'S JUST SCOOPING THE SNOW HE BROUGHT IN AND TOSSING IT OUTSIDE?

SHKK

SHKK

AH!

TOSS

SEKI'S SHOVELING SNOW OFF THE TOP OF HIS DESK?!

SHOVELING SNOW?!

DO YOU NEED TO PLAY AROUND WITH THAT WHEN YOU'VE GOT A COLD?!

ACHOO!

I CAN SEE HOW SHOVELING MIGHT SEEM LIKE SOMETHING FUN, BUT...

WELL, WE DON'T USUALLY GET AS MUCH SNOW HERE AS THEY DO UP NORTH, SO...

BUT I GUESS IT'S OKAY 'CAUSE HE'LL BE DONE IN A JIFFY.

SNIFF

AAH!

YOU GAVE IT UP TO PLAY A DIFFERENT GAME?!

WHAT HAPPENED TO SHOVELING, SEKI?!

YOU NEED TO WRAP THIS UP QUICKLY SINCE YOU DON'T FEEL WELL.

WHISPER

WHISPER

WHISPER

SHOVEL, SEKI!

PLAYING THE SICK CARD NOW WON'T BUY MY SYMPATHY !

WHAT?!

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IT MIGHT FEEL GOOD NOW, BUT...

IF YOU REST LIKE THAT, YOU'LL GET CHILLED!

COME ON, SEKI, YOU CAN'T DO THAT!

HIS COLD HAS GOTTEN WORSE! HE'S NOT RESPONDING! THIS IS DANGEROUS!

!!

SEKI'S GOING TO DIE ON TOP OF HIS DESK!

AT THIS RATE, HE'LL FREEZE TO DEATH!

IT'S SO TOUGH THAT I CAN'T REMOVE IT!

SCRAPE

SCRAPE

HUH? IT'S SOLID!

IN ANY CASE... I'VE GOTTA CLEAN THIS SNOW OFF FIRST.

THAT'S IT. KNOWING SEKI...

SFF

@UICKLY...?

I HAVE TO DO SOME-THING ABOUT THIS SNOW!

OH NO, WHAT NOW?!

WHSH

SHFF

TEACH-ER, SEKI IS...!!

SWPP

!!

TOSS

TOSS

TOSS

HE SEEMS TO HAVE CAUGHT A COLD.

WHAT'S THIS ABOUT SEKI, YOKOI?

FWIP

WHIP

SEKI LEFT SCHOOL EARLY THAT DAY.

OH?! YOU OKAY, SEKI?!

WHUMP

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NOW ON THE NEXT PAGE...

PEEL

PEEL

PEEL

AH!

HM ?

HE'S FIDDLING WITH HIS WRITING PAD.

IS IT SPECIAL IN SOME WAY?

WHAT'S GOING ON?

HIS WRITING PAD HAD A TRANS-PARENT STICKER ON IT?

OH, THERE'S A BOTTLE OF GLUE!

WHICH MEANS ...

WHERE YOU SPREAD OUT LIQUID GLUE THEN LET IT DRY.

HE'S MAKING THAT SEE-THROUGH THING (WHATCHAMA-CALLIT?)...

HE'S PUTTING EVERY-THING AWAY?

RUSTLE ゴソ

HUH?

RUSTLE ゴソ

WHERE IS HE PUTTING IT?

I'VE NEVER MANAGED TO MAKE ANYTHING THAT BIG, BUT...

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HE SPREAD GLUE ACROSS HIS ENTIRE DESK?!

NO WAY!

I MEAN, IT TAKES TIME FOR THE GLUE TO DRY.

AND I NEVER SAW HIM SPREADING IT IN THE FIRST PLACE?!

THAT'S JUST NOT POSSIBLE!

NO WAY, NO WAY!

WAIT, THAT'S RIGHT...

Oh!

SPREAD THE GLUE BY THEN?

SO HE HAD ALREADY

EVEN THOUGH I WAS PRETTY EARLY MYSELF!

SEKI WAS HERE BEFORE ME THIS MORNING!

GLANCE

GLANCE

SEKI REALLY IS DILIGENT AND DEDICATED WHEN IT COMES TO HIS GAMES.

HE CAME TO SCHOOL EARLY JUST TO COVER HIS DESK WITH GLUE, HUH?

SKRITCH

SKRITCH

AAAAH!!

PEEL

PEEL

PEEL

WHY NOW?

HE'S ANXIOUS ABOUT THE TEACHER.

JUST HOW SELF-INDULGENT CAN HE GET WITH THAT GLUE?!

HE EVEN SPREAD GLUE ON THE WINDOW?!

IS THERE SOME WAY TO USE IT?

I FEEL LIKE SEKI MIGHT'VE THOUGHT THAT FAR AHEAD.

HOW MUCH GLUE DID YOU WASTE?

IT'S HUGE!

BUT IT SEEMS LIKE IT WOULD TEAR EASILY, SO...

I GUESS THAT'S NOT IT.

HMM ...

AS A CURTAIN ?

OR A TABLE CLOTH?

STAAARE

?

SHFF

COULD HE BE...

HUH?

HE'S SHOWING IT OFF TO ME JUST TO BRAG?

BRAGGING?!

SO HE REALLY WAS JUST WASTING GLUE!!

YES, YES, IT'S VERY IMPRESSIVE!

WHISPER

WHISPER

I'VE NEVER SEEN SUCH A BIG GLUE SHEET BEFORE!

THAT'S THE PURPOSE?

RUMMAGE

RUMMAGE

WIRE?

WHAT'S THAT FOR?

スル SKFF

スル SKFF

スチャ SCHAK

フアサッ FWASSH

KTAK カン

TWIST ぐる

TWIST ぐる

STUDY, STUDY...

I'LL PRETEND NOT TO NOTICE.

HE WANTS TO SHOW THEM OFF THAT BADLY?

HE'S DISPLAYING THEM?

ペタ
D'AB
ペタ
D'AB
パカッ
SPOP
SLIP
HE'S PUT SOMETHING WEIRD ON HIS FACE!!
HUH? WHAT IS THAT ?!

THAT'S JUST ODD, ANY WAY YOU LOOK AT IT...

I WONDER, SEKI.

IS THAT A PROPER USE OF HARDENED GLUE?

GLASSES MADE FROM GLUE?

NO-REAL

NoriArtist

Toshinari Seki One-Man Show

HUH ?

OH, HE'S ADDED SOME-THING.

NO-REAL NoriArtist Toshinari Seki One-Man Show

*NORI = GLUE

WAIT, IS SEKI...

"ARTIST"? "ONE-MAN SHOW"?

HE'S PRETENDING HE'S A VISUAL ARTIST?!

PLAYING AN ARTIST?!!

NOT ARTIST

I GUESS IF HE INSISTED, HARDENED GLUE COULD BE CONSIDERED ART...

WELL, I SUPPOSE THERE ARE CRYPTIC MODERN ART PIECES...

I MEAN, THEY'RE MADE OF GLUE!

I ADMIT THAT NO ONE ELSE COULD'VE MADE SUCH GREAT STUFF, BUT THEY'RE NOT ART OBJECTS!

SFF

SWFF

NEVER SEEN THAT BEFORE. DID SEKI MAKE THEM?

COLORED GLUE?

HE EVEN PAINTS LIKE AN ARTISTE.

SPTCH

SPTCH

...

DRIBBLE

WHAAT?!

WAIT.

SWPP

HIS OWN FACE ?!!

HE PAINTED

Toshinari

TWIRL TWIRL

HE'S A SELF-OBSESSED ARTIST!

YOU NARCISSIST !!

Yikes!

Toshinari

HUH? MY STUFF?

OH, YOU'RE LOOKING FOR THINGS TO PAINT?

HUH? WHAT?

GLANCE チラッ

GLANCE チラッ

HERE WE GO AGAIN.

YOU'RE HOPE-LESS.

THEN JUST SIT THERE QUIETLY! GEEZ!

Toshiro

YOU'RE OUT OF SPACE?

HERE.

HE'S NOT USING MY WRITING PAD...

HUH?

TOSS

FLIP

YOU'RE THAT PICKY ABOUT WHAT YOU JUST SLATHER WITH GLUE? WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE?!

SO RUDE!

BECAUSE HE FEELS IT'S NOT WORTH PAINTING ON?!

HUH ?

WHPP

THE ONE WITH "DRAMA PANDA" ON IT...?

MY PENCIL CASE?

!

WITH GLUE?! STICKY, STICKY GLUE?!

YOU WANT TO PAINT THIS?

TSK

I LIKE THIS TOO MUCH !!

ABSOLUTELY NOT!!

YOU SHOULD'VE USED MY WRITING PAD TO BEGIN WITH.

YUP YUP

SPLCH

SPLCH

A°A"!

SFF

AND DRAWN REALLY WELL, TO BOOT!

DRAMA PANDA!!

Toshinari

Z

ZZ

SFF

Toshinari

BUT... BUT...

DEMANDING I HAND OVER MY PENCIL CASE IN EXCHANGE FOR THIS DRAWING?

IS HE...

SWSH ポイーン

SWSH ポイーン

IF I LET IT SET AND PEEL IT, IT'D BE A ONE-OF-A-KIND ORIGINAL ITEM...

BUT THIS LEVEL OF PERFECTION ...

BESIDES, THIS DRAWING IS JUST SEKI'S DOODLE... IT'S NOT A LEGIT DRAMA PANDA...

I DON'T WANT THIS TO GET ALL DIRTY!

PLEASE TAKE GOOD CARE OF IT

SWISH—

DRIB...

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BLOP
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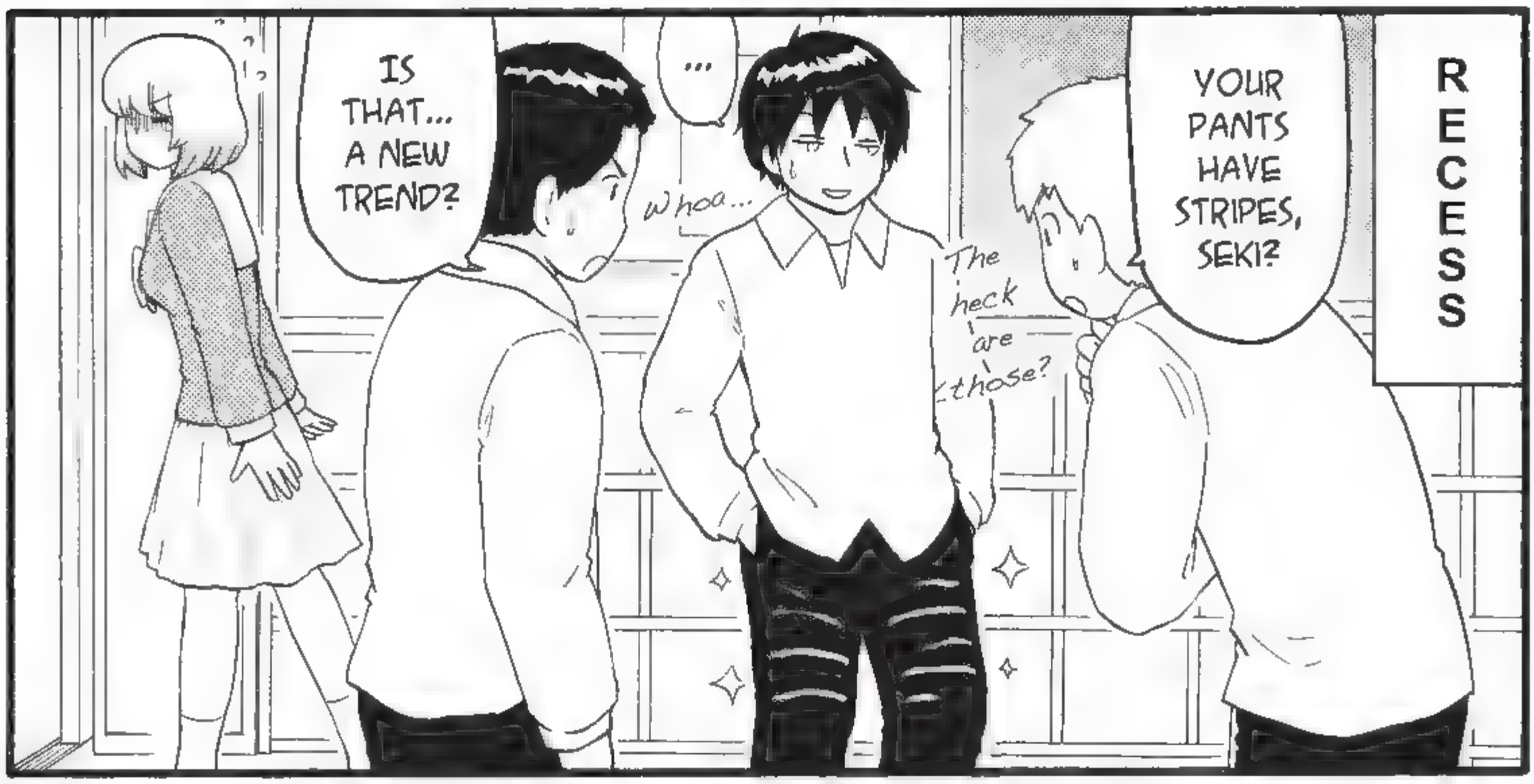
BLOP
GRAB
SORRY, I JUST CAN'T!


IS THAT... A NEW TREND?
...
Whoa...
The heck are those?
YOUR PANTS HAVE STRIPES, SEKI?
RECESS

114th Period

SKRITCH カリ

SKRITCH カリ

SKRITCH カリ

SKRITCH カリ

WELL, JUST READING MANGA ISN'T THAT BAD...

SNICKER フフ...

JUMP

YOU'RE READING MANGA?

GEEZ, SEKI.

BUT THAT CAN'T BE ALLOWED IN SCHOOL!

IT WORKS FINE IN PLACE OF A CHAIR,

BOING

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ボヨヨン

BOING

IS A BALL?!

BUT HIS CHAIR

I'VE GOT ONE AT HOME, TOO, THAT MOM USES IN HER DIETING REGIMEN.

I'M PRETTY SURE THAT'S A BALANCE BALL.

YOU'RE GOING FOR MAXIMUM RESULTS WITH MINIMAL EFFORT, HUH?

YOU COULD BE STUDYING INSTEAD OF READING MANGA.

BWA HA HA HA!

BOOM

FLIP

BUT I HEAR GUYS USE THEM TOO, FOR MUSCLE BUILDING.

I GUESS IT'S NOT A BAD IDEA TO USE INSTEAD OF A CHAIR SO YOU CAN EXERCISE WHILE WATCHING TV OR STUDYING.

SWAY

JUMPDAY

WEEKLY SHONEN

14

!!

SPI

NN

STAMP

GRAB

DON'T STARTLE ME LIKE THAT, SEKI!

PANT

PANT

SQIK ギュム

SQIK ギュム

YOU FALL OFF IF YOU LOSE YOUR BALANCE? WHAT A SURPRISINGLY RISKY GAME.

!

SWAY グラ

SWAY

SEKI'S SO GOOD AT EVERY-THING, BUT HE SEEMS UNUSED TO THIS.

BUT HOW ODD.

DON'T TELL ME...

SEKI...

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MMP

IN SHORT, THAT YOUR CORE MUSCLES ARE UNDER-DEVEL-OPED.

I'VE HEARD THAT IF YOU HAVE TROUBLE BALANCING IT'S 'CAUSE YOU HAVE WEAK AB OR BACK MUSCLES ...

HAS A WEAK CORE?!

...

SO IT'S NOT SURPRISING THAT HIS CORE IS WEAK.

SEKI'S ALWAYS SITTING DOWN TO PLAY DETAILED GAMES,

THINKING YOU COULD TRAIN WHILE GOOFING OFF WAS A MISCALCU-LATION.

CHUCKLE

SWOO

SSH

GWORP

グラ

SWAY

BUT IT DOESN'T LOOK VERY STABLE...

SWAY

IS HE TRYING TO PROVE HE HAS GREAT BALANCE?

HE'S SUDDENLY SHOWING OFF COMPLEX POSES?

AH!

KRAKK

SWU

GEEZ!

MMP

...

NOW YOU'VE DISTURBED MAEDA!

HE'S GONNA YELL AT YOU NOW!

SHEF

H...

MAEDA'S TOO SERIOUS TO GET INVOLVED.

IS HE INVITING HIM TO PLAY?

HE'S TRYING TO TALK MAEDA INTO SOME-THING?

WHISPER

HUH?

WHISPER

WHISPER

MAEDA SAT ON IT!!

SWOOMP

ガシッ

KTAK

カタ"

MAYBE HE WANTS TO TRY OUT A WAY TO TRAIN HIS MUSCLES WHILE SITTING IN CLASS...?

HMM, MAEDA'S A JOCK, THE ACE OF OUR BASEBALL TEAM.

YOU'RE SO MEAN, SEKI!

IS HE THINKING OF ROCKING THE BALL AND STARTLING MAEDA?

OH!

SMIRK

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SMIRK

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MAEDA'S POSTURE IS PERFECTLY STRAIGHT!

JIGGLE グニ

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THAT MADE HIM SUPER SAD...

AH... あっ

YOU GO, MAEDA!

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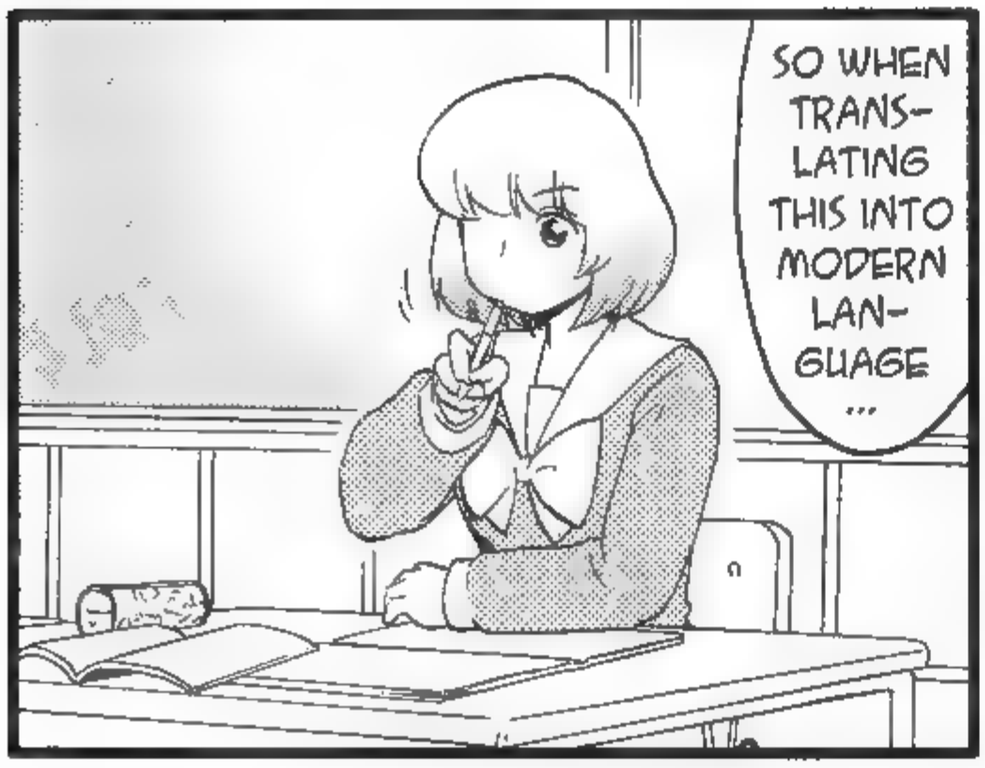

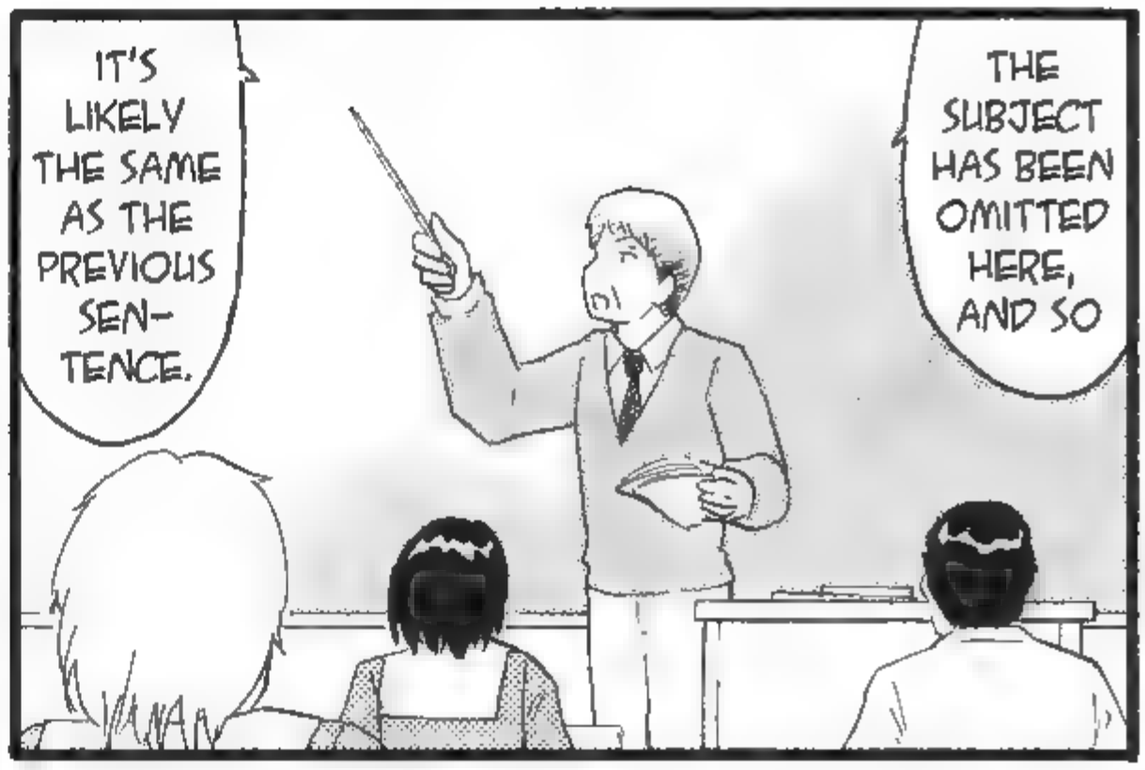

THE PUPPETEER MADE IT ACT AND DANCE.

I SAW ONE ONCE ON TV.

A MARIONETTE?

IS THAT...!

WHAT A DIF-FICULT GAME TO PLAY.

KCHAK KCHAK

THAT'S FUNNY!

THE MARIONETTE IS DOING AEROBICS?

IT LOOKS A BIT LIKE SEKI...

THAT PUPPET...

KLATTER

HUH?

TNK

KTAK

RUSTLE

RUSTLE

THE PUPPET!

IT'S SITTING AT A DESK AND PLAYING AROUND?!

WOOD BLOCKS?

THE PUPPET SEKI IS PLAYING WITH BLOCKS.

JUST PLAY GAMES BY YOURSELF LIKE YOU NORMALLY DO!

NO, NO, NO, YOU DON'T NEED TO MAKE IT DO THAT!

HE MADE A PUPPET VERSION OF HIMSELF THAT PLAYS GAMES? THAT'S TOO MUCH!

OH, SO THAT'S WHY THE MARIONETTE RESEMBLES SEKI.

AH!

TUMBLE

カコーン

HOO

He's stumped

HE FLUBBED IT... IT'S PRETTY HARD.

SFF

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GO, GO, SEKI DOLL!

WHEW

AH HA HA, HE'S MIMICKING SEKI EXACTLY!

HE DID IT!

YOU BETTER PUT THAT AWAY!

WHISPER

WHISPER

THE TEACHER'S COMING!

SEKI.

AH!

ANY QUES-TIONS, ANYONE?

I'VE SEEN THIS BEFORE!

IT'S LIKE YOU DON'T HEAR ME.

WHAT'S GOING ON, SEKI?

HE'S GONNA YELL AT YOU!

S-SEKI?

WHISPER

WHISPER

THE PUPPET'S CLEANING UP!

WHISK

HE BECAME A SOUL-LESS ROBOT.

HE'S FULLY TURNED TO A PART OF AN INDUSTRIAL ROBOT!

TR... FC

WITH THE ROBOT ARM.

WIPE AWAY HIS SOUL?!

DID SEKI TRULY

チラッ GLANCE

WHICH MEANS ...

IS NOW INSIDE THAT DOLL.

HIS CONSCIOUSNESS ...

IN SHORT...

SEKI'S CONCEN-TRATING SO HARD THAT HE COM-PLETELY TRANS-FERRED HIS EMOTIONS INTO HIS PUPPET.

BECAUSE OF THIS SEKI DOLL...

THAT'D BE ESPECIALLY BAD TODAY,

IT MIGHT NOT HAPPEN IN TIME, AND THE TEACHER WILL CATCH HIM.

IT'S HARD TO GET SEKI TO REVERT BACK TO NORMAL.

I'VE GOT TO GET SEKI TO PUT IT AWAY SOMEHOW!

THEY'LL WHISPER THAT HE'S CRAZY, AND EVERYONE WILL START GIVING HIM THE STINK EYE!

SO SKETCHY!

THAT HE WAS PLAYING WITH A PUPPET THAT HE MADE THAT LOOKS JUST LIKE HIMSELF?

WHAT IF HE WERE FOUND OUT AND PEOPLE SPREAD RUMORS ABOUT IT?!

YOU DON'T NEED TO CLEAN UP! YOU NEED TO HIDE!

NO, I HAVE TO TRY TO CONVINCE THE SEKI DOLL!

SINCE THE PUPPET IS ESSENTIALLY THE REAL SEKI RIGHT NOW.

WELL, I GUESS NOT...

I MEAN!

UH, UHM ...

IT'S NO GOOD! HE DOESN'T UNDER-STAND!

?

I'M DONE FOR IF THE TEACHER OR ANYONE ELSE SEES ME FRANTICALLY TALKING TO A PUPPET!

AAH, I HAVE TO HURRY, OR I'LL BE IN TROUBLE, TOO!

PHEW! うし！

SAVED!

WELL THEN, LET'S CHECK YOUR ANSWERS.

AH!

PIVOT

クルッ

STUPID SEKI DOLL!

FWP

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UHH!

WHAP

PING

TAKE THAT!

BUT SEKI FELT IT, TOO?

I HIT THE DOLL WITH THE RUBBER BAND

PING

PING

PTCH

PTCH

UHH!

OOH!

THIS IS FUN!!

116th Period

TODAY, TOMOKA INVITED ME OUT FOR TEA.

AH HA HA, THAT WAS YOUR GAME PLAN?

AAH. IF WE WERE THREE, WE COULD'VE ORDERED MORE DISHES.

AH, I FIGURED.

THE SOFTBALL GAME'S STILL GOING, SO YUU WON'T MAKE IT.

SUCH A LOVELY CAFÉ!

Boy's Cafe

KLATTER

KLATTER

I'LL DO THIS ONE!

I LOVE PAN-CAKES!

I HEAR THEIR PANCAKE SETS ARE CHEAP BUT TASTY.

SWSH

MRS. SEKI?!

LET YOU DO AS YOU PLEASE ANY-MORE!!

BAM

SEKI, WE WON'T

WHAA?!

HUH?

HUH?

THRUST

ず"!?

SHE MUST BE!

SHE'S SEKI'S MOTHER!

OH, OKAY.

OH, I REALLY WANT THIS PARFAIT! LET'S SPLIT THAT AND SOME PAN-CAKES!

WHAT A COINCIDENCE!

THIS IS WHERE SEKI'S MOTHER WORKS?

COME TO THINK OF IT—SHE DID SEEM LIKE THE SHY TYPE...

I WONDER IF SHE HID 'CAUSE SHE'S EMBARRASSED?

Welcome!!

Have a nice time!

WOW!

BUT WE HAVEN'T ORDERED YET...

HUH?

HERE ARE YOUR LATTES.

ON THE HOUSE?

THEY'RE ON THE HOUSE.

THIS HIGH DEGREE OF ARTISTIC SKILL... WAS THIS MRS. SEKI?!

SO CUTE! THAT'S AMAZING!

LATTE ART?! AND THEY USED CHOCOLATE FOR THE WRITING!

1st

OH!

OH, WHEW... THAT MEANS SHE'S OKAY WITH ME BEING HERE.

USING INGENUITY THAT RIVALS HER SON'S?

SHE EXTENDED US SPECIAL SERVICE

A DRAWING OF SEKI BOWING DOWN ?!

I apologize

for my son

COULD THIS BE...

HUH?

WHAT'S YOUR PIC OF, RUMI?

ドキッ

BADUM

HER "I'M SORRY" IS COMING ACROSS LOUDER THAN HER "WELCOME!"

SHE'S WORRIED ABOUT SEKI ANNOYING ME EVERY DAY!

One cola and one cream soda!

Hmm

SHOULD I TELL TOMOKA ...?

AH!

WHAT A WASTE !

UH, THE SAME AS YOURS!

WHISK

WHISK

TOMOKA MIGHT MIS-UNDER-STAND AND GET ALL WORKED UP.

WHAT WHAT ?!

OMG! OMG!

IF I TELL HER ABOUT THE FAMILY OF A GUY IN OUR CLASS ...

SINCE SHE DIDN'T REALLY GET IT WHEN I TOLD HER ABOUT SEKI'S GAMES ...

?

I'D RATHER AVOID EXPLAINING HOW I HAPPEN TO KNOW MRS. SEKI,

WOOOOOW

OR... AM I?

Jun is so cute!

AT SEKI'S HOUSE.

BUT HERE I AM.

...

IT'S NOT LIKE I'M THAT CLOSE TO SEKI OR HIS FAMILY.

WELL, WHAT-EVER...

カチカチ

KACHI-KACHI

So yummy!

I THINK I'D BETTER KEEP MUM.

SORRY FOR THE WAIT.

SHFF SHFF SHFF

OMG! OMG!

IT'S HUGE!

WILL I BE ABLE TO FINISH IT?

HERE IS YOUR CHOCOLATE PARFAIT.

WOW!!

キ" JOLT 7 "

WRITTEN ON THE SUGAR WAFERS!!

TO MISS YOKOI,
I'M SORRY MY SON IS CONSTANTLY A NUISANCE. I HOPE TO MAKE IT UP TO YOU TODAY, SO PLEASE ENJOY YOURSELF!

THERE'S A MESSAGE TO ME...

SO YUMMY!

MM...

BUT DON'T LEAVE A MESSAGE ON TOMOKA'S PARFAIT~!

I APPRECIATE THE GESTURE, MRS. SEKI...

SNATCH

YEAH.

DO YOU WANT ANY, RUMI?

EH HEH

I HAVE A REAL WEAKNESS FOR SUGAR WAFERS...

THAT'S AN ODD PREFER-ENCE...

CHOMP

CHOMP

CHOMP

SWIP

SWIP

SWIP

SWIP

PAN-CAKES ARE UP!

KATNK カラン

SORRY FOR THE WAIT.

HERE ARE YOUR PANCAKES.

WHEW ふう

IS THAT ME?!

WHAAA!

!

HUH? IS THERE ART ON THE PANCAKES, TOO?

SHE MADE ME LOOK PRETTY. LIKE A SHOJO MANGA GIRL AS EXTRA SERVICE?!

MY EYES ARE HUGE!

OR IS THAT JUST HER ART STYLE?

SWISH

THEY ARE 2!

STAY BACK! THEY'RE REALLY HOT!!

ニコッ
GRIN

SHE HID?

Hiy
SHEE

IF I PUT IT DOWN, SHE'LL SEE IT.

WILL WE BE ABLE TO EAT THEM?

THEY'RE THAT HOT?

BUT WHAT DO I DO NOW?

ハロー
SMIIILE

SCOOP

IT'S A STACK OF TWO, SO...

I ONLY NEED TO DO SOME-THING ABOUT THE TOP ONE.

THIS SHOULD DO IT!

SCOOP

WHAT'RE YOU DOING?!

IH IFN' SHO HOH EMYHORH!

(IT ISN'T SO HOT ANYMORE!)

SHMPP

HUH?!

UMM...

CHEW

CHEW

OKAY, BUT WHO THE HECK EATS PANCAKES LIKE THAT?!

THAT'S TOTALLY THE WRONG WAY!

EVERYONE IN MY FAMILY EATS THEM LIKE THIS!

...

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT'S SO TASTY EVEN WITHOUT ANY WHIPPED CREAM!

MM, IT'S YUMMY!

SURE! ♪

I WANT A BITE! BUT I'LL USE MY KNIFE AND FORK.

AND THE CREAM SODA,

GA.T.NK

ONE DRINK YOU ORDERED TOOK A WHILE TO PREPARE, SO...

HERE IS THE ICE TEA...

I APOLO-GIZE.

I'VE NEVER SEEN SUCH A THING BEFORE!

THE SCOOP OF VANILLA ICE CREAM IS SCULPTED?!

!

THAT ICE CREAM IS SHAPED ODDLY.

THAT DEPENDS ON YOUR TASTES.

YOU'VE GOT TO STIR A CREAM SODA FIRST, RIGHT?

ZWIRL

ZWIRL

ZPLUNK

AH!

I CAN BARELY KEEP UP...

OH, SHOOT!!

DASH

REFILL?!

KCHAK

HERE IS YOUR LATTE REFILL.

WHAT SHOULD I DO?

SHE SAW ME WITH THAT TROUBLED LOOK ON MY FACE?!

NOW MRS. SEKI IS BOWING DOWN!

Forgive me for getting carried away

WHAAA!!

I'm sorry if I caused you trouble

THE SERVICE HERE REALLY IS GREAT!

FLAIL あわわっ FLAIL

YOU MISUNDERSTOOD, MRS. SEKI!

DON'T TELL ME I HURT HER FEELINGS?!

WH-WH-WHAT DO I DO NOW?

THANKS FOR PAYING WITH EXACT CHANGE.

OH, YUU SAYS SHE'S FREE NOW!

I HAVEN'T SEEN HER SINCE...

PLEASE TAKE THESE.

HUH?

YOU'RE A FRIEND OF MRS. SEKI'S, CORRECT?

HEY, SO WE'RE AT...

MRS. SEKI WORKS AT ANOTHER PLACE, TOO?

Huh?

THEY'RE FOR ANOTHER RESTAURANT WHERE SHE WORKS.

OKO-NOMIYAKI* COUPONS?

Okonomi Icchan

OKONOMIYAKI HALF-OFF!!!!!

COUPON

COUPON

*SAVORY PANCAKES

THERE ISN'T A SINGLE EATERY IN THIS AREA THAT DOESN'T KNOW MRS. SEKI.

SHE'S ASKED TO HELP OUT WHEREVER THEY'RE SHORT-STAFFED,

BECAUSE SHE'S EXCEPTIONALLY SKILLED AND PERFORMS EVERY TASK FLAWLESSLY.

WHAT?! THAT'S AMAZING !!

ALTHOUGH SHE DOESN'T LIKE WAITING TABLES.

Ah...

I REALLY WOULD LOVE TO CHECK IT OUT, BUT...

Berry's Cafe

SHE'S TOO BASHFUL TO SEE YOU OFF TODAY, BUT SHE SEEMS TO WANT YOU TO GO THERE.

CHOOSE MY COMPA-NION CAREFULLY.

I'M GOING TO HAVE TO

AH!

WHEW!

THE NEXT DAY

SHFF

THEIR RELATION-SHIP HAS GOTTEN THAT FAR?!!

BUT WE MIGHT RUN INTO SEKI'S MOTHER THERE...

OF COURSE I'LL JOIN YOU!

O-KONOMI-YAKI?

MyNeighborSeki

EDISON WAS FAMOUS AS A CHILD, TOO.

HISTORY II

117th Period

THERE WERE MANY INVENTORS ACTIVE IN THE 19TH CENTURY. EDISON WAS ONE WHO INVENTED NUMEROUS MAJOR...

IT MAY NOT BE RIGHT TO SIMPLY SCOLD THEM.

BUT IF YOU CONSIDER THAT STUDENTS WHO ARE NUISANCES MIGHT GROW UP TO ACHIEVE GREAT THINGS...

HE WAS QUITE THE PROBLEM CHILD, INDEED.

HE CONSTANTLY PESTERED HIS TEACHERS WITH QUESTIONS,

BURNED A SHED DOWN WITH HIS EXPERI-MENTS...

WELL, HIS INGENUITY AND VERY THOROUGH GAMES ARE EXCEP-TIONAL.

SO SEKI, WHO NEVER PAYS ATTENTION IN CLASS, MAY STILL BECOME AN UPSTANDING ADULT.

I SEE.

AWW...

NOT THAT I'LL STOP SCOLDING.

GLANCE

ドゥ"
BLUPP
ロ"

INSTEAD OF GETTING MAD EACH AND EVERY TIME.

MAYBE I SHOULD JUST QUIETLY WATCH OVER HIM

WORLD HISTORY II

AS IN, THE STUFF THAT KIDS PLAY WITH?

SLIME?

HM ?

NOPE. SORRY.

ドゥ"
ロ"
GLOP
GLOP

BECOMING AN ILLUSTRIOUS FIGURE SOME DAY..

WORLD HISTORY II

I REALLY CAN'T SEE A PERSON WHO PLAYS WITH SLIME DURING CLASS

GLINT

DRIBBLE

IT'S A PERFECT EXAMPLE OF SOME-THING USELESS AND MEAN-INGLESS.

Slime

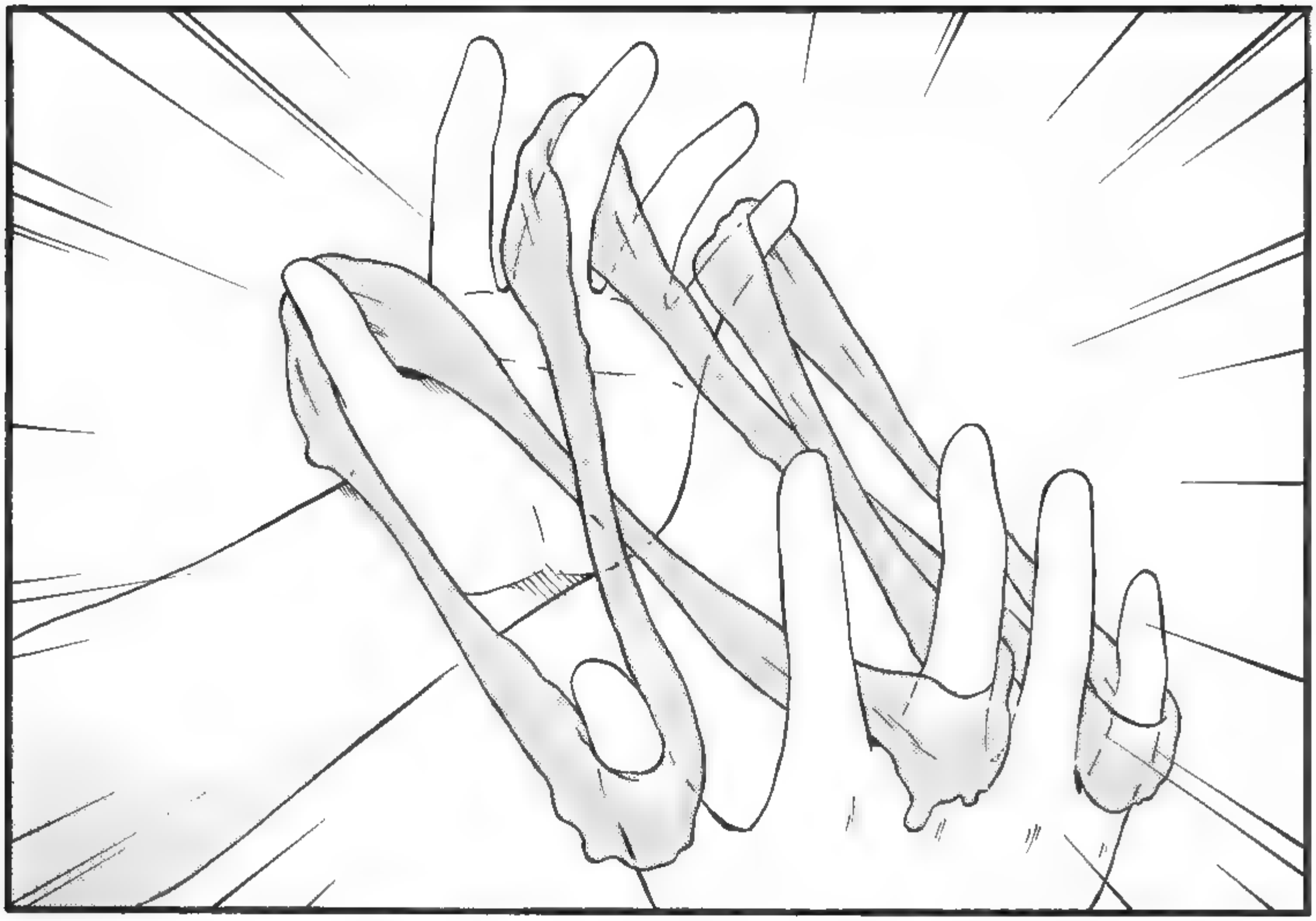
BESIDES, WHAT CAN YOU DO WITH SLIME EXCEPT TOUCH IT?

SWAPP

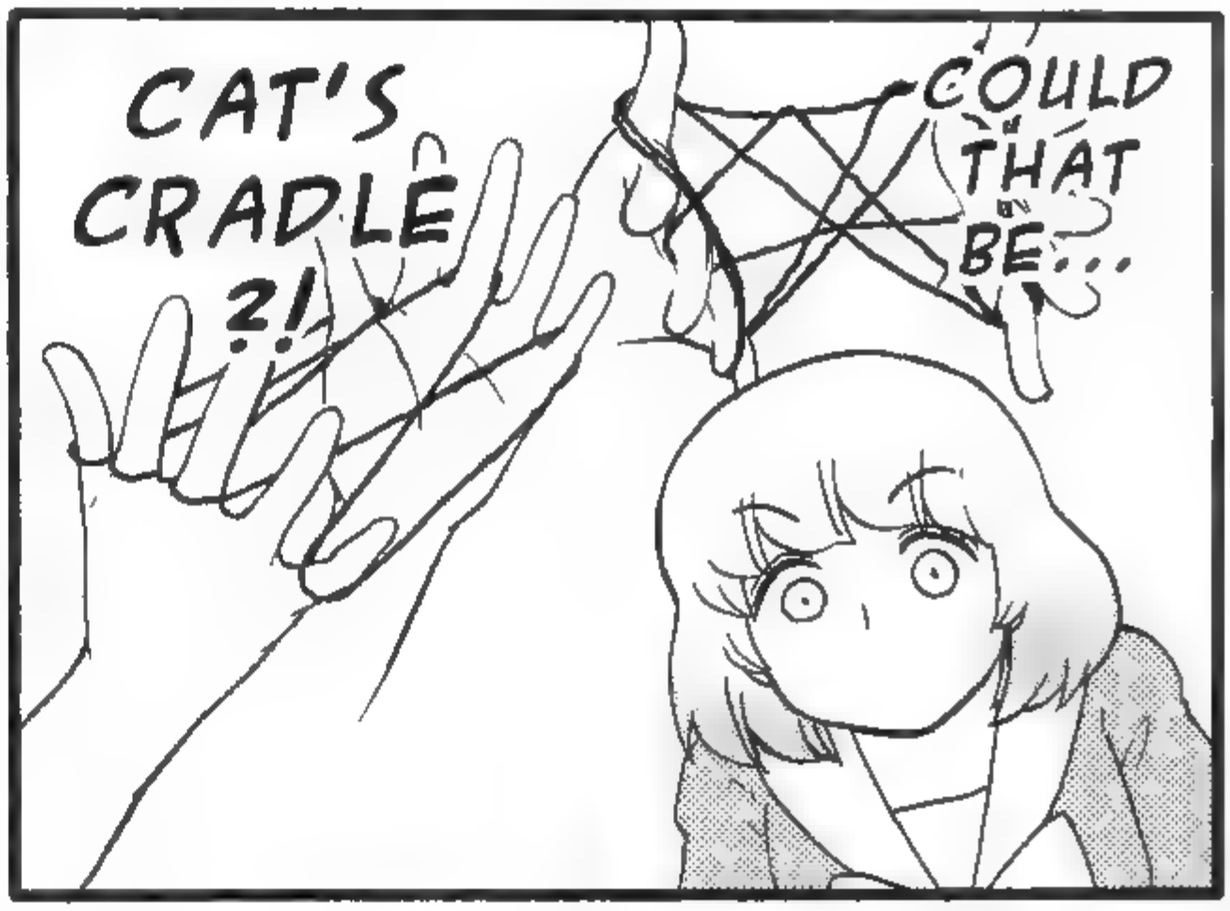
SQUICH

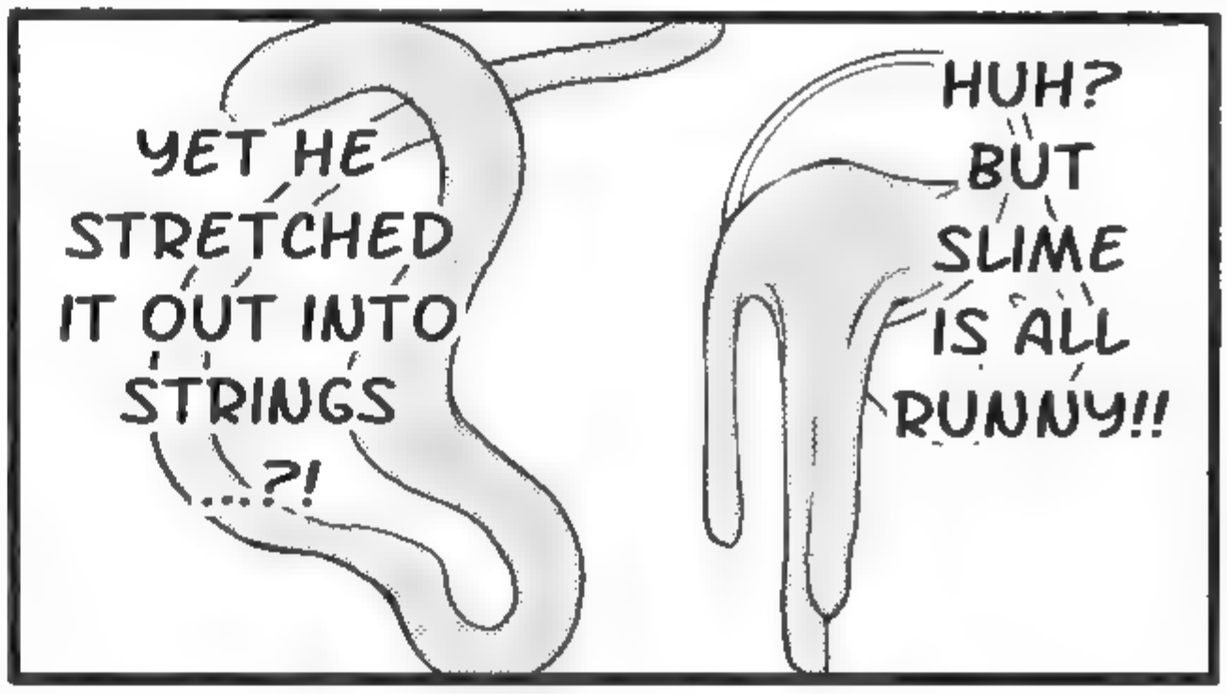
SQUICH

SQUICH



YOU CAN DO SUCH A THING, SEKI ?!


CAT'S CRADLE 2!
COULD THAT BE...


YET HE STRETCHED IT OUT INTO STRINGS ...?!
HUH? BUT SLIME IS ALL RUNNY!!

ポタ
BLOP
ポタ
BLOP
ポタ
BLIP
BWORP
YOU SHOULD HAVE BEEN ABLE TO FIGURE THAT OUT BEFORE-HAND!!
OF COURSE IT'S IMPOSSIBLE!
ポロ
GLOP
I JUST CAN'T HOLD OUT HOPE FOR SEKI'S FUTURE!
WHAT ON EARTH POSSESSED YOU TO TRY IT IN THE FIRST PLACE?!

BUT SLIME WOULD JUST BREAK OFF AND DRIP DOWN RIGHT AWAY.

YOU HAVE TO TWIST AND PULL STRINGS IN CAT'S CRADLE.

HE'S STILL TRYING TO DO IT...

BLIP

IN WHICH CASE, WHAT HE'S DOING IS MEANINGFUL?

AH, PERHAPS SEKI WANTS TO FIND EVEN ONE USE FOR SLIME?

HE LOOKS SO SERI-OUS.

DANGLE

HM ?

BLOP

BLIP

SPINN

SPINN

A BROOM?

IT LOOKS LIKE A CAT'S CRADLE BROOM...

SQUI

CCH

SHFF

SHFF

SHFF

DRIB

DRIB

A COINCI-DENCE?

GLOP

TOKYO TOWER!

AND IN 3D!

TA-DAA

HE'S TAKING ADVANTAGE OF HOW SLIME DRIPS DOWN-WARD TO MAKE SHAPES.

VERTICAL MOVEMENTS, INSTEAD OF WORKING SIDEWAYS LIKE IN REAL CAT'S CRADLE! I GET IT!

I WAS CONVINCED IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE... SO HOW...?

HE'S DOING IT! WITH SLIME!!

SPLAAT

"SLIME CAT'S CRADLE"!!

THIS IS A GAME YOU CAN ONLY PLAY USING SLIME...

BUT IS IT CAT'S CRADLE?

NO, THIS IS NOW A COMPLETELY DIFFERENT GAME.

Only Seki can do this.

SWSSH

SWSSH

OH, UH... THAT THING THAT'S PART OF HUMAN DNA!!

STRETCH

A BUTTER-FLY!!

SHWAAAP

HERE, TOO!

WE NEED MORE HAND-OUTS!

TEACH-ER!

I GUESS I SHOULD GENTLY WATCH OVER SEKI'S BRIL-LIANCE, AFTER ALL...

HE FINDS NEW WAYS TO DO THINGS, WITHOUT ASSUMING IT'S IMPOSSIBLE.

HUH ?!

SORRY, PLEASE SHARE WITH A NEIGHBOR.

GLOPPY

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SHE WASN'T ABLE TO BE KIND TOWARDS HIM.

YOU WON'T BE STUDYING IT ANYWAY, RIGHT?!

DON'T TOUCH IT, AND DON'T COME NEAR!

HISSS!

SNATCH

118th Period

RUMMAGE

RUMMAGE

SKRITCH

SKRITCH

SWIP

HE'S TAKING A LOT OF THINGS OUT TODAY...

BASHUMP

WHAP

SLIP

CINCH

SWIP

IT'S NOT FESTIVAL WEAR?

WHAT'S THAT OUTFIT ...?

KCHAK

KCHAK

DON'T TELL ME...!

SHFF

NO WAY.

AND A DIE-HARD GROUPIE THAT DANCES AT CONCERTS?!

HE'S AN IDOL FAN?!

I GUESS HE HAS NO SHAME.

WELL, HE ALWAYS GOES ALL-OUT IN HIS GAMES, SO...

DIDN'T EXPECT THAT... I DIDN'T THINK SEKI WOULD DO THAT IN PUBLIC.

HUH?

I WONDER WHO THE IDOL IS?

HE'S WATCHING THAT TINY VIDEO SCREEN.

JUN'S THE IDOL?!

J... JUN?!

WHEN THE HECK DID SHE DEBUT AS AN IDOL?!

WHAT THE?!

I DIDN'T HEAR ANYTHING ABOUT IT!

SHE'S NOT EVEN IN GRADE SCHOOL YET!!

SHE'S PRETENDING TO BE AN IDOL!

HE RECORDED JUN SINGING AND DANCING AT HOME!

AND THIS LOOKS LIKE A HOME VIDEO ...

WAIT, IS THAT OUTFIT HAND-MADE?

SO THAT'S WHY HE'S PRACTICING SYNCHED FAN DANCES.

WHAT A GOOD BIG BROTHER!

THERE CAN'T BE A MORE FUN ACTIVITY FOR HER!

SHE'S AT THE AGE WHERE SHE'D LOOK UP TO IDOL SINGERS.

HUH?

HE'S GOT GOOD MOVES, BUT...

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BAM

WELL, I GUESS IT'D BE WEIRD TO ACT LIKE A FAN OF YOUR ACTUAL KID SISTER.

あ AWW...

MAYBE HE'S DOING IT ONLY BECAUSE JUN BEGGED HIM?

HE DOESN'T LOOK LIKE HE'S HAVING ANY FUN.

すん GLOOM

IT'S VERY LIKE SEKI TO GO ALL-OUT ONCE HE'S COMMITTED TO DO SOMETHING.

THOUGH I MUST SAY...

は SIGH...

WATCHING JUN THE IDOL SINGER!

BUT I'LL BE IN THE BEST MOOD EVER

AND SUCH A GOOD DANCER !!

JUN IS SO CUTE AS AN IDOL!

NO, I WANT TO SEE HER LIVE.

I WANT TO CHEER HER ON, UP CLOSE, WHILE SHE PERFORMS!

I WANT TO HEAR HER SING!!

AND SINGING!

SIGH

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KLATTER

CAN I WATCH, TOO?!

WHEN SHOULD I COME OVER?!

WILL SHE BE DOING THIS GAME FOR A WHILE?!

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ZWISH

ZWISH

SWISH

SWISH

IF YOU'RE GONNA BE SO RELUCTANT ABOUT IT...

RUSTLE

RUSTLE

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I LOVE JUN

JUN IS MY LIFE!!

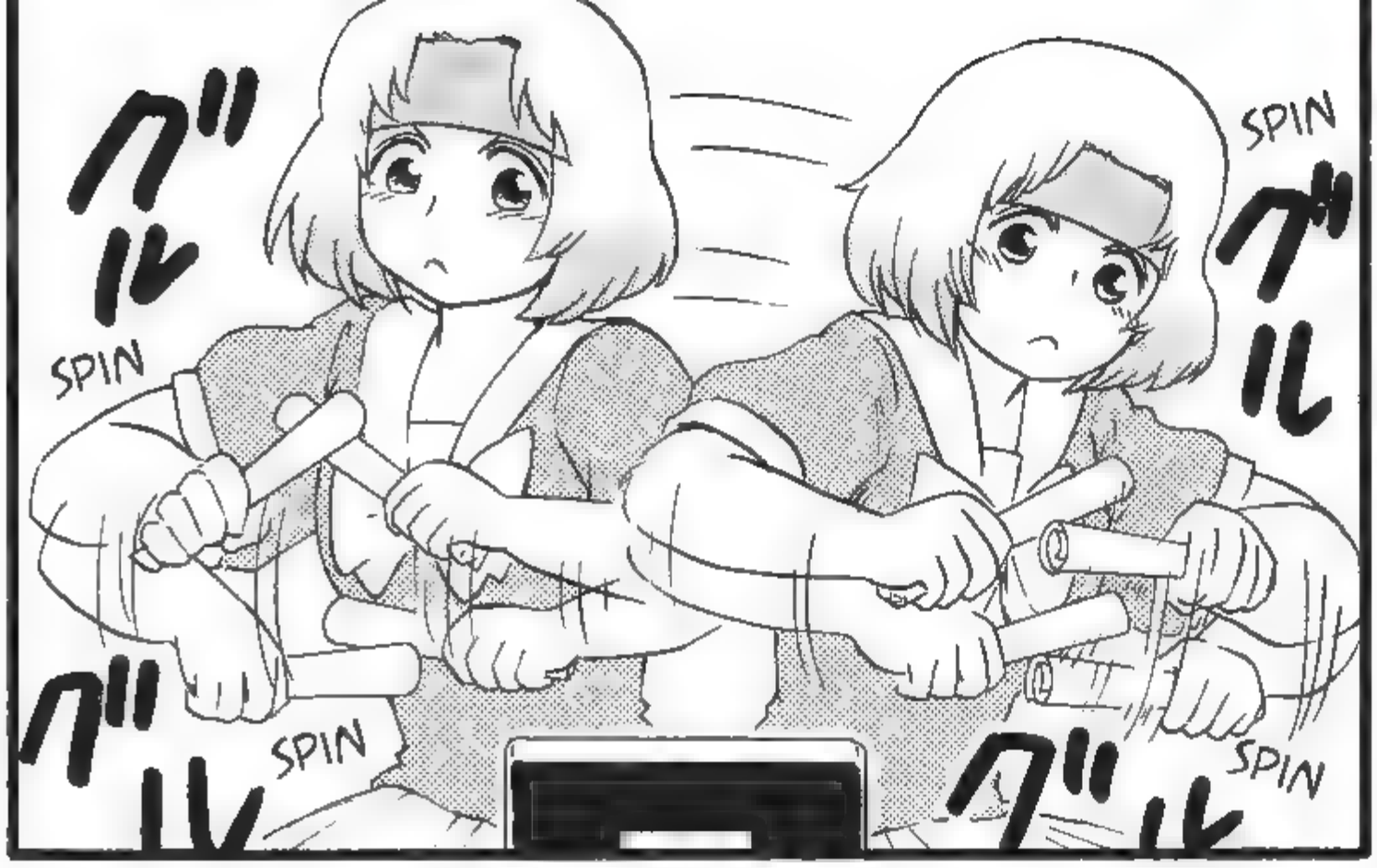
...

JUN'S FAN INSTEAD!

I'LL BE

I LOVE JUN

JUN IS MY LIFE!!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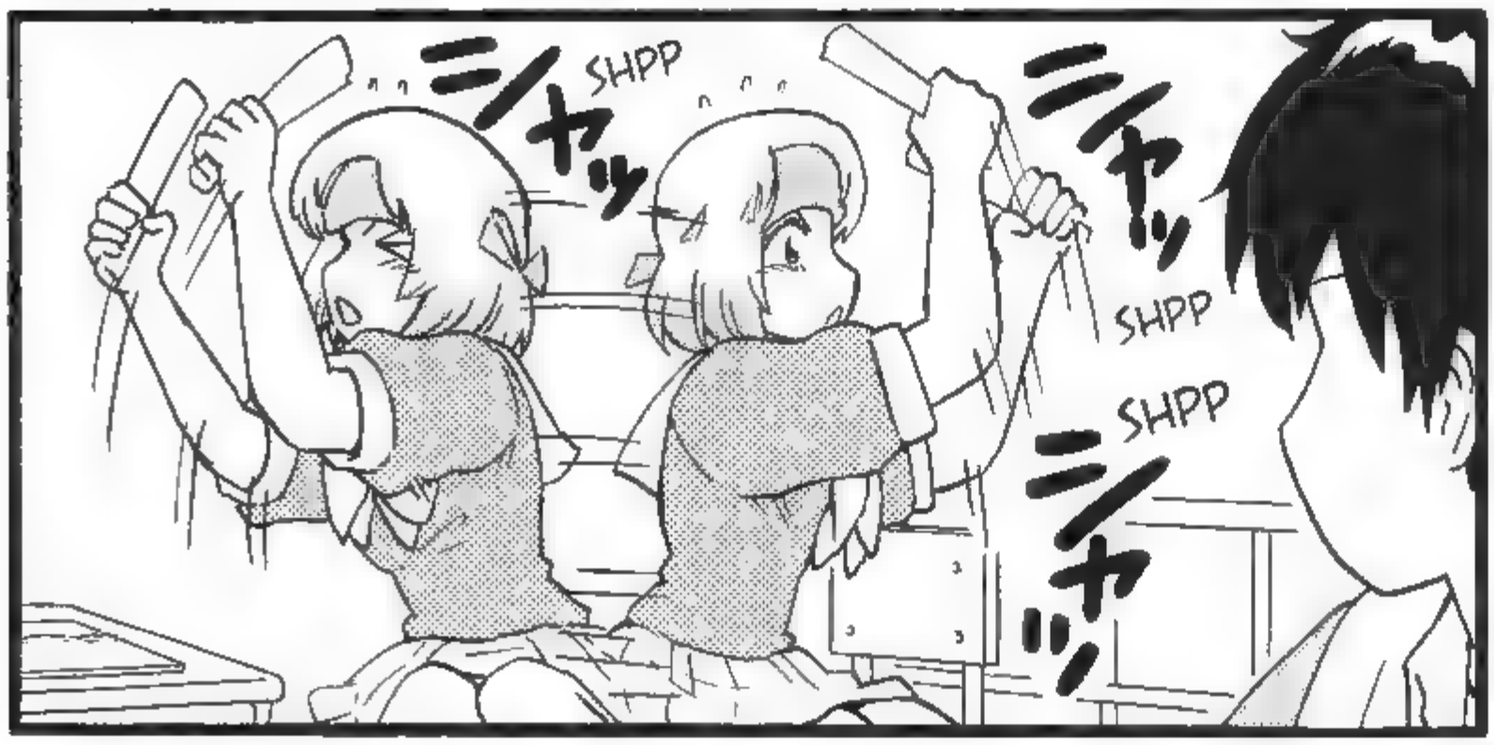
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LOOK AT THIS, MY LOVE FOR JUN!
JUN is MY LIFE!!
ACKNOWLEDGE ME AND INVITE ME TO HER CONCERT!!

SWP

HUH ?

SHOVE

FLUSH

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LET'S LIVEN UP HER FAN CLUB SOME MORE!

...

YOU'RE EMBAR-RASSED ?

WHY'D YOU PUT IT AWAY ?

IT FEELS GREAT TO SHOW SOMEONE AFFEC-TION!

ZUMI

THERE'S NOTHING TO BE ASHAMED ABOUT!

IF YOU TRANS-LATE THIS ONE SEN-TENCE ...

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IT'S NOT LIKE YOU'RE GOING TO STUDY.

WHAT'S UP WITH ALL THOSE WRITING TOOLS?

AH!

SEKI'S DRAWING MANGA?!

WHAAA?

HE'S DIVIDING UP THE SHEET INTO SQUARE PANELS FOR A MANGA?

AREN'T THOSE MANGA PANELS?

FWIP

SO I KNOW IT'S NOT SO EASY TO DO.

HOW TO DRAW MANGA

I ONCE TRIED TO MAKE A MANGA, TOO, WHEN I WAS IN GRADE SCHOOL ...

I MEAN, HE'S GOOD AT PRETTY MUCH EVERY-THING, BUT...

YOU CAN DRAW MANGA?

SWSH

SWSH

LEAVE IT TO SEKI!

AH ...

ARE THOSE "FOCUS LINES" ?

NICE! IT LOOKS SO AUTHEN-TIC.

FWIP FWIP FWIP WHP WHP

CINCH

ARE THOSE MARKS OF INTENSIVE TRAINING ON HIS FINGERS?

SEKI IS DETERMINED!

AN EXPLO-SION.

STIP-PLING.

FLOW-ERS!

HE HASN'T DRAWN ANY CHARACTERS YET...

HUH?

IT TOTALLY LOOKS LIKE THE WORK OF A PRO MANGA ARTIST!

THAT'S AMAZING, SEKI!

IT'S NOT THE MAIN ARTIST BUT THE ASSISTANTS WHO DRAW BACK-GROUNDS.

OH, BUT I DID HEAR ONCE

JUST DRAWING PRETTY BACK-GROUNDS WON'T MAKE IT COMPLETE.

MANGA HAS TO HAVE CHARACTERS, DOESN'T IT?

AND THEN BECOME A PRO ARTIST HIMSELF SOME DAY!

HE'S PRACTICING IN THE HOPES OF WORKING FOR A PRO/FOR REAL?

IS SEKI TRAINING TO BE AN ASSISTANT?

FINALLY, A CHAR-ACTER!

YOU'RE REAL CHEEKY, EH?

OH, WORDS!

HE'S ACTUALLY THINKING OF HOW TO CAPITALIZE ON HIS SKILLS IN THE FUTURE.

THIS ISN'T ONE OF HIS TYPICAL GAMES.

YOU'RE REAL CHEEKY, EH?

I'M IN A RUSH.

THE BUBBLES SPEAK, TOO!

HUH?

WHAT? TALKING FOCUS LINES?

THE FOCUS LINES ARE SPEAKING?

NO WAY! THERE'S NO WAY THAT'S ENOUGH FOR A PROPER MANGA!

YOU'RE TOO ROWDY.

HUH? SINCE WHEN?

...

WOW!

DOES THIS MEAN THE BACK-GROUNDS SEKI DREW ARE ALL CHARACTERS?!

WHAT IS GOING ON?!

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FOOBO

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STOP THAT!

AND IT'S A SHOJO MANGA TO BOOT?!

YOU SHOULD ONLY HAVE EYES FOR ME.

NOW THE PUNCTUATION MARKS ARE TALKING?! THIS IS SO CONFUSING!

PUNCTU-ATION ?!

CAN'T YOU SEE THAT SHE'S BOTHERED BY YOU?

IT SEEMS INTER-ESTING, TOO.

YET... SOME-HOW...

And incomprehensible!

THAT MANGA IS IMPOS-SIBLE.

30 MIN-UTES LATER.

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IT SEEMS INTERESTING 'CAUSE IT'S SO DIFFERENT, EVEN IF IT'S INCOHERENT?

IS IT THE UNEX-PECTED-NESS?

IF THE EDITOR WHO READS IT HAPPENS TO FIND IT INTERESTING,

IT MIGHT GET PUBLISHED IN A MAGAZINE

HE'S DONE!

WOW!

AND OUR CLASS WILL HAVE A PRO MANGA ARTIST!

HUH?

Shonen Shamp
Editorial dept.
Attn.: Mr. Suzuki
Background King
Chapter 1

I'LL ROOT FOR YOU!!

GOOD LUCK, SEKI!

CHAPTER 325 ?!

IT'S A SERIAL?! IN PRINT FOR SO LONG...?

BUT I'VE NEVER SEEN OR HEARD OF IT BEFORE... WHICH MEANS...

Shonen Editorial Dept. Attn.: Mr. Suzuki Background King Chapter 325

SLUMP

I WAS TRICKED!

HE WAS MERELY PRETENDING TO BE A PRO MANGA ARTIST!

IT'S JUST ANOTHER GAME!

HE'S WRITING A Q+A FOR THE BACK OF THE MAGAZINE!

ALL LIES!

SWAY

SWAY

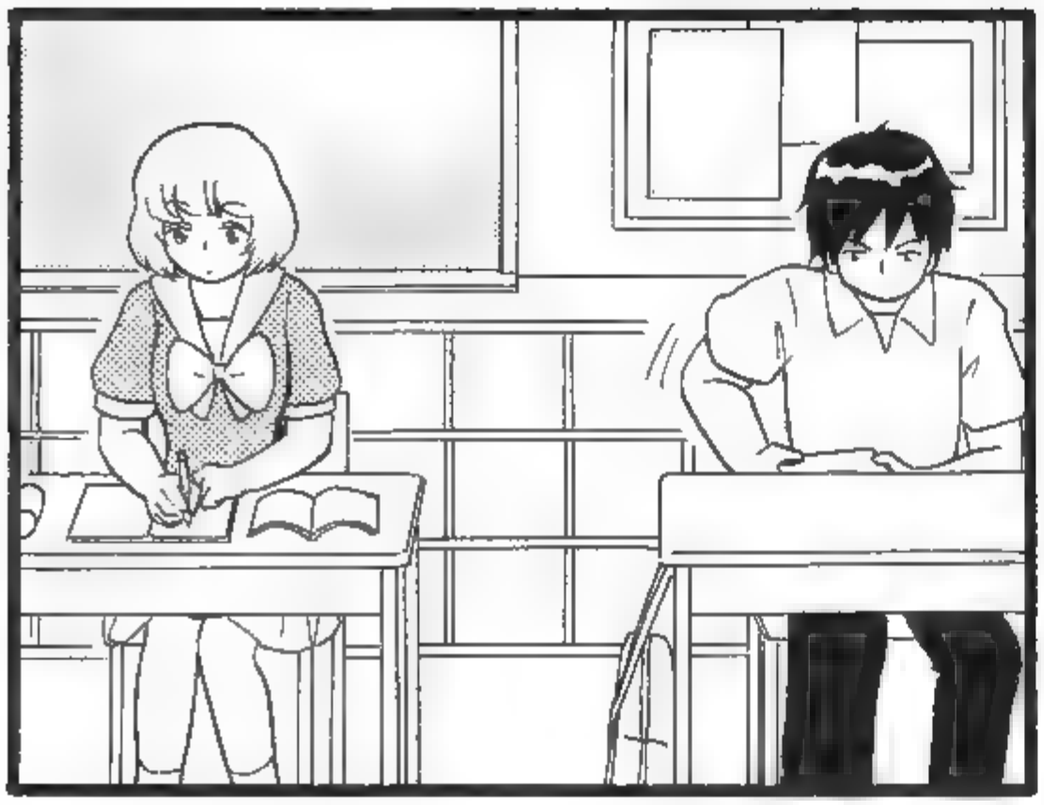
SKRITCH

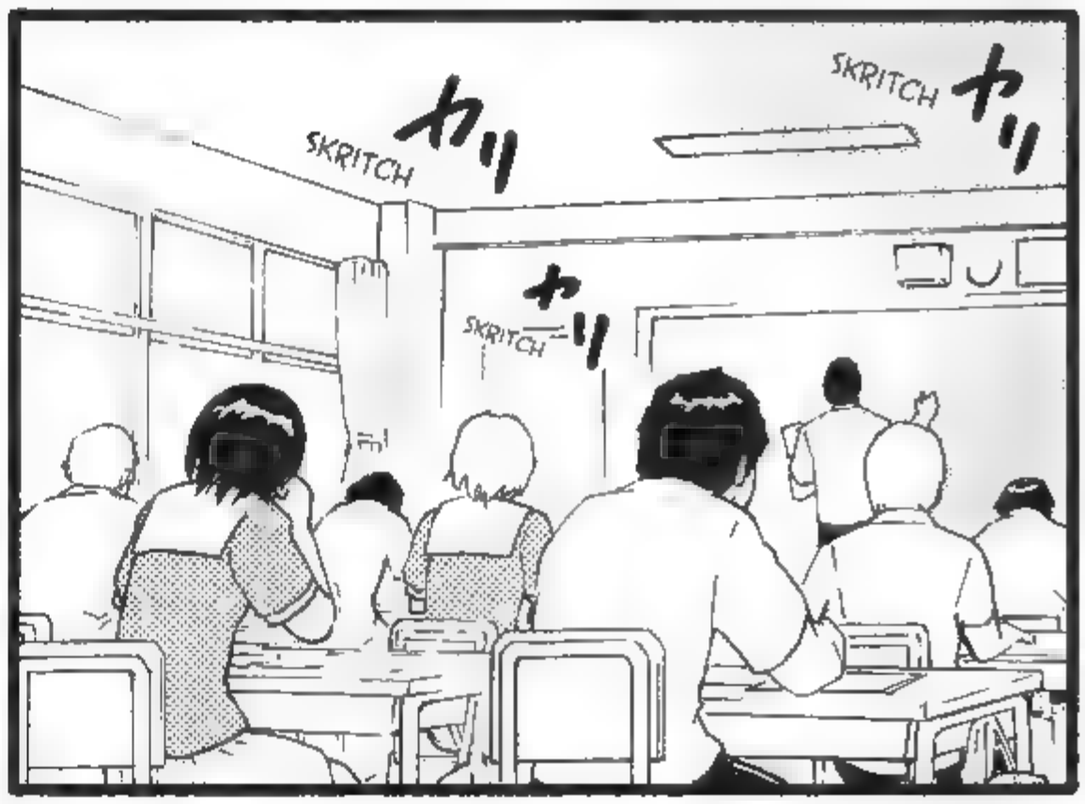
SKRITCH

QUESTIONS FOR THE ARTIST

Q. WHAT DO YOU DO ON YOUR DAYS OFF?

A. I TRY TO SEE AS MANY FILMS AS I CAN, FOR INSPIRATION. AND I GO OUT FOR A DRIVE IN MY CAR!

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WHAT ARE THOSE ?
THEY DON'T LOOK LIKE TOYS ...

HM ?

KTUNK

AND THAT WRITING ... COULD IT BE...

TOKYO 2020

THAT ONE'S GOLD ...

TOKYO 2020

OLYMPIAD XIX

TO BE HANDED OUT DURING THE 2020 OLYMPICS?!

TOKYO 2020

A GOLD MEDAL?!

I KNOW SEKI IS EXTREMELY SKILLED, BUT...

YOU MEAN THE OLYMPIC BIGWIGS COMMISSIONED SEKI?

DON'T TELL ME SEKI'S CRAFTING THE MEDALS FOR THE NEXT GAMES?!

HUH? HUH? WHY DOES HE HAVE THOSE?

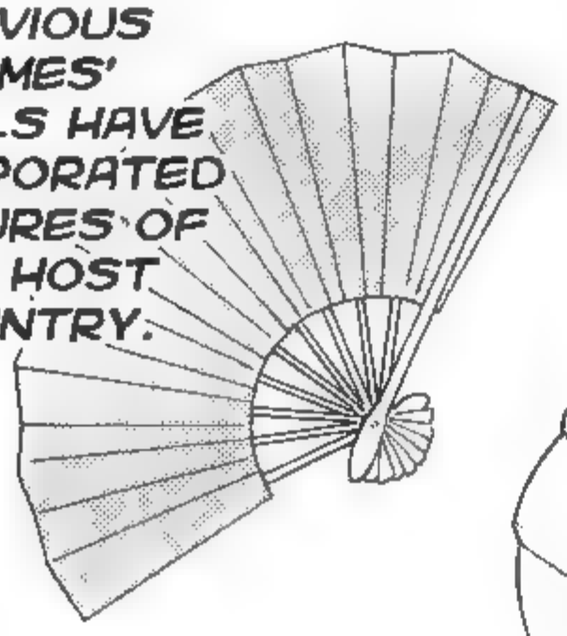
...

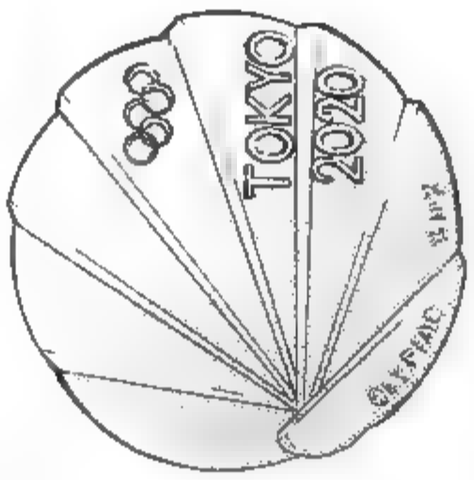
SEKI HAS TO BE MAKING THEM ON HIS OWN, RIGHT?

COULD IT REALLY BE POSSIBLE?

PREVIOUS GAMES' MEDALS HAVE INCORPORATED FEATURES OF THE HOST COUNTRY.

THAT DESIGN WAS PROBABLY INSPIRED BY A FOLDING FAN.





SEEMS LIKE HE'S NOT SATIS-FIED.

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IT HAS A VERY JAPANESE QUALITY ABOUT IT.

WELL, I DON'T THINK THE DESIGN IS THAT BAD...

IT CAN BE FOLDED UP?!

WHAT?!

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SHAKK

SUCH A TACKY DESIGN ISN'T APPROPRIATE FOR GOLD MEDALS!

NO, NO, THEY'RE NOT SOUVENIRS!

WELL, FOREIGN ATHLETES MIGHT DIG IT.

HAHAHA

HE MADE THE MEDAL FOLD LIKE A REAL FAN?!

THERE'S ANOTHER CANDIDATE?!

SPOP

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AH!

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Olympic Finalist Candidate

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RUSTLE

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I FEEL LIKE THAT'S A BIT CLICHÉD,

THIS DESIGN HAS MOUNT FUJI?

PLUS THE GAMES ARE IN TOKYO ...

XIIX OLYMPIAD

TOKYO 2020

SO I GUESS IT'S A GOOD DESIGN THAT'S STEEPED IN TRADITION...

WELL... FUJI HAS BEEN DEPICTED IN WOODBLOCK PRINTS SINCE THE EDO PERIOD...

THE SILVER AND BRONZE MEDALS ARE DIF-FERENT?

HUH ?

...

NOT BAD!

HMM ?

XIIX OLYMPIAD TOKYO 2020

XIIX OLYMPIAD TOKYO 2020

THE MOTIFS ARE IN THE SAME SEQUENCE AS THE MEDAL METALS!!

THAT'S THE ORDER OF LUCKY ITEMS TO DREAM ABOUT THE FIRST NIGHT OF THE YEAR!!

A HAWK? EGGPLANTS ...

PLUS MOUNT FUJI...

THOSE MAY BE THE FIRST 3 LUCKY THINGS TO DREAM ABOUT, BUT THEY HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH THE OLYMPICS!

NO, NO, YOU DON'T NEED TO BE THAT ELABORATE !

PHEW, THERE STILL ARE OTHER CANDIDATES!

LET ME SEE!

ATHLETES FROM AROUND THE WORLD WILL BE BAFFLED!

IT'S WEIRD TO HAVE EGGPLANTS ON A MEDAL!

AH!

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Olympic Candidate

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SPOP

IS IT NOT FINISHED?

HUH? IT'S WHITE...

XIX OLYMPIAD TOKYO 2020

LET'S GO WITH THAT ONE!

I LIKE THAT ONE BEST!

IT HAS A JAPANESE AIR TO IT, AND A BIT OF MYSTERY. PRETTY COOL.

BUT THIS DESIGN... IS IT AN IMAGE OF THE MOON?

*RED AND WHITE ARE CELEBRATORY COLORS

HOLD ON. WHITE AND RED?*

AND THEY LOOK PLUMP AND HAVE A SOFT TEXTURE... DON'T TELL ME...

HM ?

IS THAT ONE RED?

WHY WOULD A MEDAL BE RED?

*RICE CAKES

IF YOU MAKE MOCHI MEDALS, WHAT HAPPENS IF SOMEONE EATS ONE?

But that's certainly very Japanese !!

NO, NO, THE MEDALS HAVE TO BE GOLD, SILVER, AND BRONZE!

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KCHAK

RED AND WHITE CELEBRATORY RICE CAKE MEDALS?!

THEY'RE MOCHI ?!*

XIX OLYMPIAD TOKYO 2020

HE REALLY WANTS THE ATH-LETES TO EAT THEM?!

TOKYO 2020

THE THIRD MEDAL IS A GRILL MESH!!

TA-DAA

WHICH WILL IT BE...

HE'S MAKING HIS FINAL CUT?

HE'S DECID-ING

HE CHOSE THAT ONE OUT OF ALL THE OPTIONS!

THE MOCHI!!

SWPP

WILL BECOME A RED-AND-WHITE MOCHI BATTLE!!

NOOO!

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THE OLYM-PICS... THE OLYM-PICS...

WELL, DUH!

Not Seki?!

ARTIST MR. [BLANK] HAS BEEN TAPPED TO DESIGN THE OLYMPIC MEDALS...

THE YOKOI RESI-DENCE, THAT NIGHT

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DRAMA PANDA !

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SUPER-POPULAR DRAMA PANDA WILL MAKE AN APPEARANCE!!

GRAND REOPENING

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GRAND REOPENING

BONUS

DUE TO PAGE CONSTRAINTS, THERE IS NO AFTERWORD.

SEE YOU NEXT VOLUME !!

BYE-BYE !

THAT'S SUPER RARE!

YAY

YAY

THERE! SOMEONE IN A DRAMA PANDA COSTUME !

THUP

THUP

THUP

JUST WEARING THE COSTUME AND STANDING AROUND ISN'T ENOUGH TO MAKE HIM THE REAL THING.

DRAMA PANDA'S CHARMS ARE HIS EXAG-GERATED POSES AND EXTREME EMOTIONS.

HMM

THIS DOESN'T FEEL QUITE RIGHT...

BUT ...

SHA

WHAAAAAAAAA?!

BAAM

YAY

YAY

BUT I GUESS I CAN'T EXPECT THAT MUCH FROM SOME GUY JUST WEARING THE COSTUME OUT HERE...

AAAAAAAAA

A PHOTO ...

CAM-ERA !

HAND SHAKE !

I NEVER THOUGHT I'D COME ACROSS SUCH A FANTASTIC ...

IT'S LIKE DRAMA PANDA HAS APPEARED IN REAL LIFE!

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I GOTTA RUN HOME AND GRAB MY CAMERA !

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HE'S FAMOUS IN THE INDUSTRY, FLYING ALL OVER JAPAN FOR EVENTS OR FILM SHOOTS.

HE'S A WHIZ, INSTANTLY ABLE TO TRANS-FORM INTO WHATEVER CHARACTER COSTUME HE WEARS.

BREAK TIME!

MAN, HE'S GOT SOME MOVES!

WELL, HE'S A PROFES-SIONAL MASCOT ACTOR.

HE JUST WENT ON BREAK!

HUH ?!

HOW MUCH LONGER UNTIL HE'S BACK ON?

WELL, HE LIVES NEARBY, SO HE TOOK THIS GIG AS A FAVOR.

I'M AMAZED HE WAS WILLING TO COME HERE, THEN.

'SCUSE ME!

KLATTER

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I'M SUCH AN IDIOT!

WAAA

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AH!

IT'S OVER ?

WELL, THERE'S A GIRL HERE, BAWLING...

I JUST WANT TO TELL HER HIS SCHEDULE.

FLASH

YOU DON'T MIND, MR. SEKI ?

THE END

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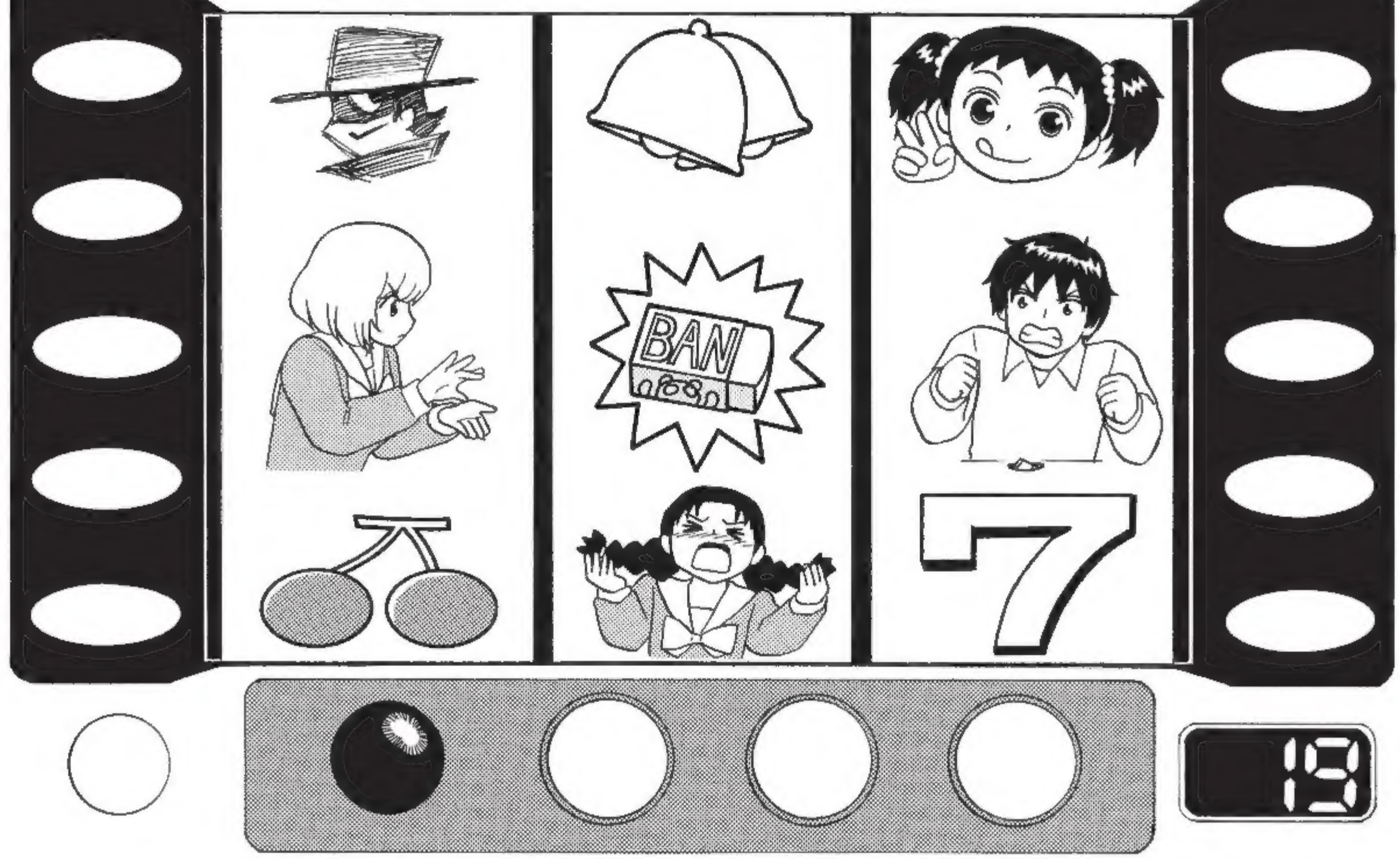
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